

BENZAZEPINE DERIVATIVES AS HISTAMINE H3 ANTAGONISTS

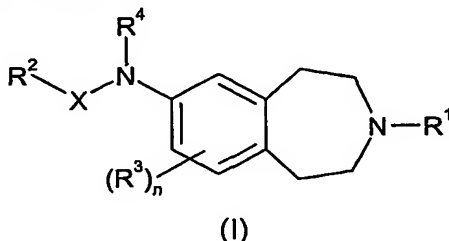
The present invention relates to novel benzazepine derivatives having pharmacological activity, processes for their preparation, to compositions containing them and to their use in the treatment of neurological and psychiatric disorders.

JP 2001226269 and WO 00/23437 (Takeda Chem Ind Ltd) describe a series of benzazepine derivatives which are claimed to be useful in the treatment of obesity. DE 2207430, US 4,210,749 and FR 2171879 (Pennwalt Corp) and GB 1268243 (Wallace and Tiernan Inc) all describe a series of benzazepine derivatives which are claimed as being antagonists for narcotics (such as morphine or codeine) and also anti-histamines and anticholinergic agents. WO 02/14513 (Takeda Chem Ind Ltd) describe a series of benzazepine derivatives with GPR12 activity which are claimed to be useful in the treatment of attention deficit disorder, narcolepsy or anxiety. WO 02/02530 (Takeda Chem Ind Ltd) describe a series of benzazepine derivatives as GPR14 antagonists which are claimed to be useful in the treatment of hypertension, atherosclerosis and cardiac infarction. WO 01/03680 (Isis Innovation Ltd) describe a series of benzazepine derivatives which are claimed as effective agents in the preparation of cells for transplantation in addition to the inhibition of diseases such as diabetes. WO 00/21951 (SmithKline Beecham plc) discloses a series of tetrahydrobenzazepine derivatives as modulators of dopamine D3 receptors which are claimed to be useful as antipsychotic agents. WO 01/87834 (Takeda Chem Ind Ltd) describe a series of benzazepine derivatives as MCH antagonists which are claimed to be useful in the treatment of obesity. WO 02/15934 (Takeda Chem Ind Ltd) describe a series of benzazepine derivatives as urotensin II receptor antagonists which are claimed to be useful in the treatment of neurodegenerative disorders.

The histamine H3 receptor is predominantly expressed in the mammalian central nervous system (CNS), with minimal expression in peripheral tissues except on some sympathetic nerves (Leurs *et al.*, (1998), Trends Pharmacol. Sci. **19**, 177-183). Activation of H3 receptors by selective agonists or histamine results in the inhibition of neurotransmitter release from a variety of different nerve populations, including histaminergic and cholinergic neurons (Schlicker *et al.*, (1994), Fundam. Clin. Pharmacol. **8**, 128-137). Additionally, *in vitro* and *in vivo* studies have shown that H3 antagonists can facilitate neurotransmitter release in brain areas such as the cerebral cortex and hippocampus, relevant to cognition (Onodera *et al.*, (1998), In: The Histamine H3 receptor, ed Leurs and Timmerman, pp255-267, Elsevier Science B.V.). Moreover, a number of reports in the literature have demonstrated the cognitive enhancing properties of H3 antagonists (e.g. thioperamide, clobenpropit, ciproxifan and GT-2331) in rodent models including the five choice task, object recognition, elevated plus maze, acquisition of novel task and passive avoidance (Giovanni *et al.*, (1999), Behav. Brain Res. **104**, 147-155). These data suggest that novel H3 antagonists and/or inverse agonists such as the current series could be useful for the

treatment of cognitive impairments in neurological diseases such as Alzheimer's disease and related neurodegenerative disorders.

The present invention provides, in a first aspect, a compound of formula (I) or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof:



wherein:

R¹ represents -C₃₋₇ cycloalkyl optionally substituted by C₁₋₃ alkyl;

R² represents hydrogen, -C₁₋₆ alkyl, -C₃₋₈ cycloalkyl, -C₁₋₆ alkyl-C₃₋₈ cycloalkyl, -aryl, -heterocyclyl, -heteroaryl, -C₃₋₈ cycloalkyl-Y-C₃₋₈ cycloalkyl, -C₃₋₈ cycloalkyl-Y-aryl, -C₃₋₈ cycloalkyl-Y-heteroaryl, -C₃₋₈ cycloalkyl-Y-heterocyclyl, -aryl-Y-C₃₋₈ cycloalkyl, -aryl-Y-aryl, -aryl-Y-heteroaryl, -aryl-Y-heterocyclyl, -heteroaryl-Y-C₃₋₈ cycloalkyl, -heteroaryl-Y-aryl, -heteroaryl-Y-heteroaryl, -heteroaryl-Y-heterocyclyl, -heterocyclyl-Y-C₃₋₈ cycloalkyl, -heterocyclyl-Y-aryl, -heterocyclyl-Y-heteroaryl, -heterocyclyl-Y-heterocyclyl;

X represents a bond, CO, SO₂, CONR⁵, COO or COC₂₋₆ alkenyl;

Y represents a bond, C₁₋₆ alkyl, CO, CONH, NHCO, O, SO₂, SO₂NH or NHSO₂;

R³ represents halogen, C₁₋₆ alkyl, C₁₋₆ alkoxy, cyano, amino or trifluoromethyl;

R⁴ and R⁵ independently represent hydrogen, -C₁₋₆ alkyl, -C₃₋₈ cycloalkyl, -aryl, -heterocyclyl or -heteroaryl;

n is 0, 1 or 2;

wherein said alkyl, cycloalkyl, aryl, heteroaryl and heterocyclyl groups of R², R³ and R⁴ may be optionally substituted by one or more substituents (e.g. 1, 2 or 3) which may be the same or different, and which are selected from the group consisting of halogen, hydroxy,

cyano, nitro, =O, haloC₁₋₆ alkyl, haloC₁₋₆ alkoxy, C₁₋₆ alkyl, C₁₋₆ alkoxy, arylC₁₋₆ alkoxy, C₁₋₆ alkylthio, C₁₋₆ alkoxyC₁₋₆ alkyl, C₃₋₇ cycloalkylC₁₋₆ alkoxy, C₁₋₆ alkanoyl, C₁₋₆ alkoxycarbonyl, C₁₋₆ alkylsulfonyl, C₁₋₆ alkylsulfinyl, C₁₋₆ alkylsulfonyloxy, C₁₋₆ alkylsulfonylC₁₋₆ alkyl, sulfonyl, arylsulfonyl, arylsulfonyloxy, arylsulfonylC₁₋₆ alkyl, aryloxy, C₁₋₆ alkylsulfonamido, C₁₋₆ alkylamino, C₁₋₆ alkylamido, -R⁸, -CO₂R⁸, -COR⁸, C₁₋₆ alkylsulfonamidoC₁₋₆ alkyl, C₁₋₆ alkylamidoC₁₋₆ alkyl, arylsulfonamido, arylcarboxamido, arylsulfonamidoC₁₋₆ alkyl,

arylcarboxamidoC₁₋₆ alkyl, aryl, aroyl, aroylC₁₋₆ alkyl, arylC₁₋₆ alkanoyl, or a group -NR⁶R⁷, -C₁₋₆ alkyl-NR⁶R⁷, -C₃₋₈ cycloalkyl-NR⁶R⁷, -CONR⁶R⁷, -NR⁶COR⁷, -NR⁶SO₂R⁷, -OCONR⁶R⁷, -NR⁶CO₂R⁷, -NR⁶CONR⁶R⁷ or -SO₂NR⁶R⁷ (wherein R⁶, R⁷ and R⁸ independently represent hydrogen, C₁₋₆ alkyl, -C₃₋₈ cycloalkyl, -C₁₋₆ alkyl-C₃₋₈ cycloalkyl, aryl, heterocyclyl or heteroaryl or -NR⁶R⁷ may represent a nitrogen containing heterocyclyl group, wherein said

R⁵, R⁶ and R⁷ groups may be optionally substituted by one or more substituents (e.g. 1, 2 or 3) which may be the same or different, and which are selected from the group consisting of halogen, hydroxy, C₁₋₆ alkyl, C₁₋₆ alkoxy, cyano, amino, =O or trifluoromethyl);

or solvates thereof.

Specific compounds which may be mentioned are those wherein

R² represents hydrogen, -C₁₋₆ alkyl, -C₃₋₈ cycloalkyl, -aryl, -heterocyclyl, -heteroaryl, -C₃₋₈ cycloalkyl-Y-C₃₋₈ cycloalkyl, -C₃₋₈ cycloalkyl-Y-aryl, -C₃₋₈ cycloalkyl-Y-heteroaryl, -C₃₋₈ cycloalkyl-Y-heterocyclyl, -aryl-Y-C₃₋₈ cycloalkyl, -aryl-Y-aryl, -aryl-Y-heteroaryl, -aryl-Y-heterocyclyl, -heteroaryl-Y-C₃₋₈ cycloalkyl, -heteroaryl-Y-aryl, -heteroaryl-Y-heteroaryl, -heteroaryl-Y-heterocyclyl, -heterocyclyl-Y-C₃₋₈ cycloalkyl, -heterocyclyl-Y-aryl, -heterocyclyl-Y-heteroaryl, -heterocyclyl-Y-heterocyclyl; and

X represents a bond, CO, SO₂, CONR⁵ or COO; and

wherein said alkyl, cycloalkyl, aryl, heteroaryl and heterocyclyl groups of R², R³ and R⁴ may be optionally substituted by one or more substituents (e.g. 1, 2 or 3) which may be the same or different, and which are selected from the group consisting of halogen, hydroxy, cyano, nitro, =O, trifluoromethyl, trifluoromethoxy, fluoromethoxy, difluoromethoxy, C₁₋₆ alkyl, pentafluoroethyl, C₁₋₆ alkoxy, arylC₁₋₆ alkoxy, C₁₋₆ alkylthio, C₁₋₆ alkoxyC₁₋₆ alkyl, C₃₋₇ cycloalkylC₁₋₆ alkoxy, C₁₋₆ alkanoyl, C₁₋₆ alkoxy carbonyl, C₁₋₆ alkylsulfonyl, C₁₋₆ alkylsulfinyl, C₁₋₆ alkylsulfonyloxy, C₁₋₆ alkylsulfonylC₁₋₆ alkyl, sulfonyl, arylsulfonyl, arylsulfonyloxy, arylsulfonylC₁₋₆ alkyl, aryloxy, C₁₋₆ alkylsulfonamido, C₁₋₆ alkylamino, C₁₋₆ alkylamido, -R⁸, -CO₂R⁸, -COR⁸, C₁₋₆ alkylsulfonamidoC₁₋₆ alkyl, C₁₋₆ alkylamidoC₁₋₆ alkyl, arylsulfonamido, arylcarboxamido, arylsulfonamidoC₁₋₆ alkyl, arylcarboxamidoC₁₋₆ alkyl, aroyl, aroylC₁₋₆ alkyl, arylC₁₋₆ alkanoyl, or a group -NR⁶R⁷, -C₁₋₆ alkyl-NR⁶R⁷, -C₃₋₈ cycloalkyl-NR⁶R⁷, -CONR⁶R⁷, -NR⁶COR⁷, -NR⁶SO₂R⁷, -OCONR⁶R⁷, -NR⁶CO₂R⁷, -NR⁶CONR⁶R⁷ or -SO₂NR⁶R⁷ (wherein R⁶, R⁷ and R⁸ independently represent hydrogen, C₁₋₆ alkyl, -C₃₋₈ cycloalkyl, -C₁₋₆ alkyl-C₃₋₈ cycloalkyl, aryl, heterocyclyl or heteroaryl or -NR⁶R⁷ may represent a nitrogen containing heterocyclyl group, wherein said R⁶, R⁷ and R⁸ groups may be optionally substituted by one or more substituents (e.g. 1, 2 or 3) which may be the same or different, and which are selected from the group consisting of halogen, hydroxy, C₁₋₆ alkyl, C₁₋₆ alkoxy, cyano, amino, =O or trifluoromethyl); or solvates thereof.

The term 'C₁₋₆ alkyl' as used herein as a group or a part of the group refers to a linear or branched saturated hydrocarbon group containing from 1 to 6 carbon atoms. Examples of such groups include methyl, ethyl, n-propyl, isopropyl, n-butyl, isobutyl, sec-butyl, tert butyl, n-pentyl, isopentyl, neopentyl or hexyl and the like.

The term 'C₁₋₆ alkoxy' as used herein refers to an -O-C₁₋₆ alkyl group wherein C₁₋₆ alkyl is as defined herein. Examples of such groups include methoxy, ethoxy, propoxy, butoxy, pentoxy or hexoxy and the like.

The term 'C₃₋₈ cycloalkyl' as used herein refers to a saturated monocyclic hydrocarbon ring of 3 to 8 carbon atoms. Examples of such groups include cyclopropyl, cyclobutyl, cyclopentyl, cyclohexyl, cycloheptyl or cyclooctyl and the like.

The term 'halogen' as used herein refers to a fluorine, chlorine, bromine or iodine atom.

The term 'haloC₁₋₆ alkyl' as used herein refers to a C₁₋₆ alkyl group as defined herein wherein at least one hydrogen atom is replaced with halogen. Examples of such groups include fluoroethyl, trifluoromethyl or trifluoroethyl and the like.

The term 'haloC₁₋₆ alkoxy' as used herein refers to a C₁₋₆ alkoxy group as herein defined wherein at least one hydrogen atom is replaced with halogen. Examples of such groups include difluoromethoxy or trifluoromethoxy and the like.

The term 'aryl' as used herein refers to a C₆₋₁₂ monocyclic or bicyclic hydrocarbon ring wherein at least one ring is aromatic. Examples of such groups include phenyl, naphthyl or tetrahydronaphthalenyl and the like.

The term 'aryloxy' as used herein refers to an -O-aryl group wherein aryl is as defined herein. Examples of such groups include phenoxy and the like.

The term 'heteroaryl' as used herein refers to a 5-6 membered monocyclic aromatic or a fused 8-10 membered bicyclic aromatic ring containing 1 to 4 heteroatoms selected from oxygen, nitrogen and sulphur. Examples of such monocyclic aromatic rings include thienyl, furyl, furazanyl, pyrrolyl, triazolyl, tetrazolyl, imidazolyl, oxazolyl, thiazolyl, oxadiazolyl, isothiazolyl, isoxazolyl, thiadiazolyl, pyranyl, pyrazolyl, pyrimidyl, pyridazinyl, pyrazinyl, pyridyl, triazinyl, tetrazinyl and the like. Examples of such fused aromatic rings include quinoliny, isoquinoliny, quinazolinyl, quinoxaliny, pteridinyl, cinnoliny, phthalazinyl, naphthyridinyl, indolyl, isoindolyl, azaindolyl, indoliziny, indazolyl, purinyl, pyrrolopyridinyl, furopyridinyl, benzofuranyl, isobenzofuranyl, benzothienyl, benzoimidazolyl, benzoxazolyl, benzoisoxazolyl, benzothiazolyl, benzoisothiazolyl, benzoxadiazolyl, benzothiadiazolyl and the like.

The term 'heterocyclyl' refers to a 4-7 membered monocyclic ring or a fused 8-12 membered bicyclic ring which may be saturated or partially unsaturated containing 1 to 4 heteroatoms selected from oxygen, nitrogen or sulphur. Examples of such monocyclic rings include pyrrolidinyl, azetidiny, pyrazolidinyl, oxazolidinyl, piperidinyl, piperazinyl, morpholinyl, thiomorpholinyl, thiazolidinyl, hydantoinyl, valerolactamyl, oxiranyl, oxetanyl, dioxolanyl, dioxanyl, oxathiolanyl, oxathianyl, dithianyl, dihydrofuranyl, tetrahydrofuranyl, dihydropyranyl, tetrahydropyranyl, tetrahydropyridinyl, tetrahydropyrimidinyl, tetrahydrothiophenyl, tetrahydrothiopyranyl, diazepanyl, azepanyl and the like. Examples of such bicyclic rings include indoliny, isoindoliny, benzopyranyl, quinuclidinyl, 2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1H-3-benzazepine, tetrahydroisoquinoliny and the like.

Preferably, R¹ represents -C₃₋₇ cycloalkyl (e.g. cyclobutyl, cyclopentyl or cyclohexyl) optionally substituted by a C₁₋₃ alkyl (e.g. methyl) group.

Most preferably, R¹ represents cyclobutyl, cyclopentyl or cyclohexyl optionally substituted by one or more C₁₋₃ alkyl (e.g. methyl) groups, especially unsubstituted cyclobutyl.

Preferably, R² represents

-C₁₋₆ alkyl (e.g. methyl, isopropyl or -C(CH₂CH₃)₂);

-C₃₋₈ cycloalkyl (e.g. cyclopropyl or cyclohexyl);

-C₁₋₆ alkyl-C₃₋₈ cycloalkyl (e.g. -CH₂-cyclopropyl);

-aryl (e.g. phenyl, naphthyl or bicyclooctatriene) optionally substituted by one or more cyano, halogen (e.g. fluorine, chlorine or iodine), haloC₁₋₆ alkyl (e.g. trifluoromethyl), haloC₁₋₆ alkoxy (e.g. trifluoromethoxy), C₁₋₆ alkyl (e.g. methyl), C₁₋₆ alkoxy (e.g. methoxy or ethoxy) or C₁₋₆ alkylsulfonyl (e.g. -SO₂Me) groups;

-heteroaryl (e.g. pyridinyl, pyrazinyl, pyridazinyl, pyrimidinyl, pyrazolyl, triazolyl, benzotriazolyl, imidazolyl, benzimidazolyl, quinolinyl, isoquinolinyl, quinoxalinyl, naphthyridinyl, indolyl, indazolyl, tetrahydroindazolyl, pyrazolopyridinyl, pyrazolopyrimidinyl, dihydropyrrolopyridinyl, thiazolyl, benzothiazolyl, thiadiazolyl, benzothiadiazolyl, thiophenyl, benzothiophenyl, oxazolyl, isoxazolyl, benzisoxazolyl, oxadiazolyl, furanyl, benzofuranyl or chromenyl) optionally substituted by one or more -CONR⁶R⁷ (e.g. -CONMe), hydroxy, cyano, oxo, halogen (e.g. bromine or fluorine), haloC₁₋₆ alkyl (e.g. trifluoromethyl or trifluoroethyl), C₁₋₆ alkyl (e.g. methyl, ethyl, propyl or isopropyl or t-butyl) or C₁₋₆ alkoxy (e.g. methoxy) groups;

-heterocyclyl (e.g. pyrrolidinyl, piperidinyl, morpholinyl, tetrahydropyranyl, tetrahydroisoquinolinyl, tetrahydroquinolinyl, dihydroisoindolyl, dihydroindolyl, dihydrobenzofuranyl, dihydrochromenyl, dihydrobenzoxazinyl, dihydrobenzodioxinyl, benzodioxolyl or tetrahydrobenzazepinyl) optionally substituted by one or more cyano or halogen (e.g. fluorine or chlorine) groups;

-aryl-Y-aryl (e.g. -phenyl-phenyl or -phenyl-O-phenyl);

-aryl-Y-heteroaryl (e.g. -phenyl-pyridinyl, -phenyl-oxazolyl, -phenyl-imidazopyridinyl, -phenyl-pyrimidinyl, -phenyl-tetrazolyl, -phenyl-triazinyl, -phenyl-pyrazinyl, -phenyl-imidazolyl, -phenyl-pyrazolyl or -phenyl-triazolyl) optionally substituted by one or more cyano or C₁₋₆ alkyl (e.g. methyl) groups;

-aryl-Y-heterocyclyl (e.g. -phenyl-pyrrolidinyl, -phenyl-imidazolidinyl or -phenyl-dioxidoisothiazolidinyl) optionally substituted by one or more oxo groups;

-heteroaryl-Y-aryl (e.g. -furanyl-phenyl, -triazolyl-phenyl, -oxazolyl-phenyl, -pyridinyl-phenyl, -pyrazolyl-phenyl, -thiazolyl-phenyl, -pyrazinyl-phenyl, -pyrazolyl-CH₂-phenyl, -pyrazinyl-O-phenyl or -triazolyl-O-phenyl) optionally substituted by one or more cyano, halogen (e.g. fluorine or chlorine), oxo, haloC₁₋₆ alkyl (e.g. trifluoromethyl), C₁₋₆ alkyl (e.g. methyl, ethyl or propyl), C₁₋₆ alkoxy (e.g. methoxy) or -R⁸ (e.g. phenyl) groups;

-heteroaryl-Y-heteroaryl (e.g. -pyridinyl-pyrazolyl, -pyrazolyl-pyridinyl, -thiazolyl-benzoxadiazolyl, -pyridinyl-pyridinyl, -pyridinyl-imidazolyl, -pyridinyl-pyrazinyl, -pyridinyl-

triazolyl, -pyridinyl-pyrimidinyl, -pyrazolyl-thienyl, -pyrazolyl-furanyl or -pyrazolyl-pyrrolyl) optionally substituted by one or more cyano, C₁₋₆ alkyl (e.g. ethyl) or -R⁸ (e.g. phenyl) groups;

-heteroaryl-Y-heterocyclyl (e.g. -pyridinyl-pyrrolidinyl, -pyridinyl-morpholinyl, -pyrazinyl-pyrrolidinyl, -pyrazinyl-piperidinyl or -pyrazinyl-O-tetrahydropyranyl) optionally substituted by one or more oxo groups;

-heterocyclyl-Y-aryl (e.g. -pyrrolidinyl-phenyl, -piperidinyl-phenyl, -piperazinyl-phenyl or -piperidinyl-O-phenyl) optionally substituted by one or more cyano, halogen (e.g. fluorine) or C₁₋₆ alkoxy (e.g. methoxy) groups; or

-heterocyclyl-Y-heteroaryl (e.g. -piperidinyl-pyridinyl, -piperidinyl-O-pyridinyl, -piperazinyl-pyrazinyl or -piperazinyl-pyridinyl) optionally substituted by one or more cyano groups.

More preferably, R² represents

-aryl (e.g. phenyl) optionally substituted by a cyano group;
 -heteroaryl (e.g. pyridinyl) optionally substituted by a C₁₋₆ alkyl (e.g. methyl) group;
 -heterocyclyl (e.g. tetrahydroquinolinyl);
 -aryl-Y-heteroaryl (e.g. -phenyl-pyridinyl, -phenyl-pyrimidinyl or -phenyl-tetrazolyl) optionally substituted by a cyano group;

-aryl-Y-heterocyclyl (e.g. -phenyl-imidazolidinyl) optionally substituted by a oxo group;

-heteroaryl-Y-aryl (e.g. -pyridinyl-phenyl) optionally substituted by a cyano group; or
 -heteroaryl-Y-heterocyclyl (e.g. -pyridinyl-morpholinyl or -pyrazinyl-piperidinyl).

Particularly preferably, R² represents -aryl-Y-heteroaryl (e.g. -phenyl-pyridinyl, -phenyl-pyrimidinyl or -phenyl-tetrazolyl) optionally substituted by a cyano group, most preferably -phenyl-pyridinyl substituted by a cyano group.

Preferably, X represents a bond, CO, SO₂, CONR⁵ (e.g. CONH) or COC₂₋₆ alkenyl (e.g. COCH=CH), more preferably CO.

Preferably, Y represents a bond, C₁₋₆ alkyl (e.g. CH₂) or O, more preferably a bond.

Preferably, R⁴ represents hydrogen.

Preferably, R⁵ represents hydrogen.

Preferably, R⁶ and R⁷ independently represent hydrogen and C₁₋₆ alkyl (e.g. methyl), more preferably one of R⁶ and R⁷ represents hydrogen and the other represents methyl.

Preferably, R⁸ represents aryl (e.g. phenyl).

Preferably, n represents 0 or 1, more preferably 0.

When n represents 1, R³ is preferably a halogen (e.g. iodine) atom or a cyano group.

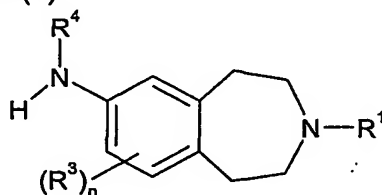
- 5 Preferred compounds according to the invention include examples E1-E280 as shown below, or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof.

10 Compounds of formula (I) may form acid addition salts with acids, such as conventional pharmaceutically acceptable acids, for example maleic, hydrochloric, hydrobromic, phosphoric, acetic, fumaric, salicylic, sulphate, citric, lactic, mandelic, tartaric and methanesulphonic. Salts, solvates and hydrates of compounds of formula (I) therefore form an aspect of the invention.

15 Certain compounds of formula (I) are capable of existing in stereoisomeric forms. It will be understood that the invention encompasses all geometric and optical isomers of these compounds and the mixtures thereof including racemates. Tautomers also form an aspect of the invention.

20 The present invention also provides a process for the preparation of a compound of formula (I) or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof, which process comprises:

- (a) preparing a compound of formula (I) wherein X represents CO which comprises reacting a compound of formula (II)



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(II)

wherein R¹, R³, R⁴ and n are as defined above, with a compound of formula R²-CO₂H, wherein R² is as defined above for R² or a group convertible thereto; or

- 30 (b) preparing a compound of formula (I) wherein X represents CO which comprises reacting a compound of formula (II) as defined above, with an activated compound of formula R²-COL¹ wherein R² is as defined above for R² or a group convertible thereto and L¹ represents a suitable leaving group such as a halogen atom (e.g. chlorine, bromine) or imidazole; or

- 35 (c) preparing a compound of formula (I) wherein X represents CONR⁵ which comprises reacting a compound of formula (II) as defined above, with an activated compound of formula R²-NR⁵COL² wherein R² and R⁵ are as defined above for R² and R⁵, respectively

or a group convertible thereto and L^2 represents a suitable leaving group such as a halogen atom (e.g. chlorine, bromine); or

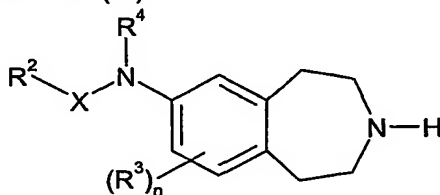
(d) preparing a compound of formula (I) wherein X represents SO_2 which comprises reacting a compound of formula (II) as defined above, with an activated compound of formula $R^{2'}-SO_2L^3$ wherein $R^{2'}$ is as defined above for R^2 or a group convertible thereto and L^3 represents a suitable leaving group such as a halogen atom (e.g. chlorine, bromine); or

(e) preparing a compound of formula (I) wherein X represents $CONR^5$ which comprises reacting a compound of formula (II) as defined above, with a compound of formula $R^{2'}-N=C=O$ wherein $R^{2'}$ is as defined above for R^2 or a group convertible thereto; or

(f) preparing a compound of formula (I) wherein X represents COO which comprises reacting a compound of formula (II) as defined above, with an activated compound of formula $R^{2'}-OCOL^4$ wherein $R^{2'}$ is as defined above for R^2 or a group convertible thereto and L^4 represents a suitable leaving group such as a halogen atom (e.g. chlorine, bromine); or

(g) preparing a compound of formula (I) wherein X represents a bond which comprises reacting a compound of formula (II) as defined above, with a compound of formula $R^{2'}-L^5$, wherein $R^{2'}$ is as defined above for R^2 or a group convertible thereto and L^5 represents a suitable leaving group such as a halogen atom (e.g. chlorine, bromine or iodine);

(h) reacting a compound of formula (III)



wherein R^2 , R^3 , R^4 , X and n are as defined above, with a compound of formula $R^{1'}-L^6$, wherein $R^{1'}$ is as defined above for R^1 or a group convertible thereto and L^6 represents a suitable leaving group such as a halogen atom (e.g. bromine, iodine or tosylate); or

(i) reacting a compound of formula (III) as defined above, with a ketone of formula $R^{1'}=O$, wherein $R^{1'}$ is as defined above for R^1 or a group convertible thereto; or

(j) deprotecting a compound of formula (I) which is protected; and

(k) interconversion to other compounds of formula (I).

Process (a) typically comprises the use of a coupling reagent, such as dicyclohexylcarbodiimide, in an appropriate solvent such as dichloromethane or dimethylformamide, optionally in the presence of a suitable activating agent, such as hydroxybenzotriazole at an appropriate temperature such as room temperature.

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Processes (b), (c), (d) and (f) typically comprise the use of a base, such as triethylamine, in an appropriate solvent such as dichloromethane, at an appropriate temperature, for example room temperature.

10 Process (e) may typically be performed in a suitable solvent, such as dichloromethane, at an appropriate temperature, for example room temperature.

When the leaving group L^5 is attached to an sp^3 hybridised carbon, for example, $R^{2'}-L^5$ is an alkyl halide, process (g) typically comprises the use of a suitable base, such as potassium hydroxide in an appropriate solvent such as methanol optionally in the presence of a catalyst such as potassium iodide at an appropriate temperature such as reflux.

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When the leaving group L^5 is attached to an sp^2 hybridised carbon, for example, $R^{2'}-L^5$ is an aryl or heteroaryl halide, process (g) typically comprises the use of a transition metal catalyst, such as a palladium salt (e.g. Palladium (II) acetate), in combination with a suitable ligand, such a BINAP, in the presence of a base such as potassium carbonate, in an appropriate solvent such as toluene, at an appropriate temperature such as reflux.

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Process (h) typically comprises the use of a suitable base, such as potassium carbonate in an appropriate solvent such as 2-butanone optionally in the presence of a catalyst such as potassium iodide at an appropriate temperature such as reflux.

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Process (i) typically comprises the use of reductive conditions (such as treatment with a borohydride e.g. sodium triacetoxyborohydride), optionally in the presence of an acid, such as acetic acid, in an appropriate solvent such as dichloromethane at a suitable temperature such as room temperature.

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In process (j), examples of protecting groups and the means for their removal can be found in T. W. Greene 'Protective Groups in Organic Synthesis' (J. Wiley and Sons, 1991).

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Suitable amine protecting groups include sulphonyl (e.g. tosyl), acyl (e.g. acetyl, 2',2',2'-trichloroethoxycarbonyl, benzyloxycarbonyl or t-butoxycarbonyl) and arylalkyl (e.g. benzyl), which may be removed by hydrolysis (e.g. using an acid such as hydrochloric acid in dioxan or trifluoroacetic acid in dichloromethane) or reductively (e.g. hydrogenolysis of a benzyl group or reductive removal of a 2',2',2'-trichloroethoxycarbonyl group using zinc in acetic acid) as appropriate. Other suitable amine protecting groups include trifluoroacetyl ($-COCF_3$) which may be removed by base catalysed hydrolysis or a solid phase resin bound

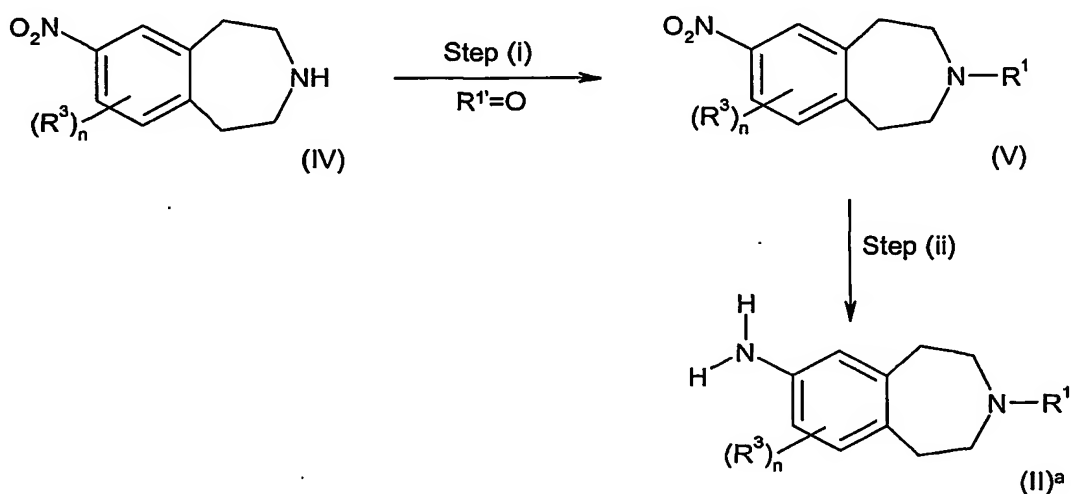
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benzyl group, such as a Merrifield resin bound 2,6-dimethoxybenzyl group (Ellman linker), which may be removed by acid catalysed hydrolysis, for example with trifluoroacetic acid.

Process (k) may be performed using conventional interconversion procedures such as epimerisation, oxidation, reduction, alkylation, nucleophilic or electrophilic aromatic substitution, ester hydrolysis, amide bond formation or transition metal mediated coupling reactions. Examples of transition metal mediated coupling reactions useful as interconversion procedures include the following: Palladium catalysed coupling reactions between organic electrophiles, such as aryl halides, and organometallic reagents, for example boronic acids (Suzuki cross-coupling reactions); Palladium catalysed amination and amidation reactions between organic electrophiles, such as aryl halides, and nucleophiles, such as amines and amides; Copper catalysed amidation reactions between organic electrophiles (such as aryl halides) and nucleophiles such as amides; and Copper mediated coupling reactions between phenols and boronic acids.

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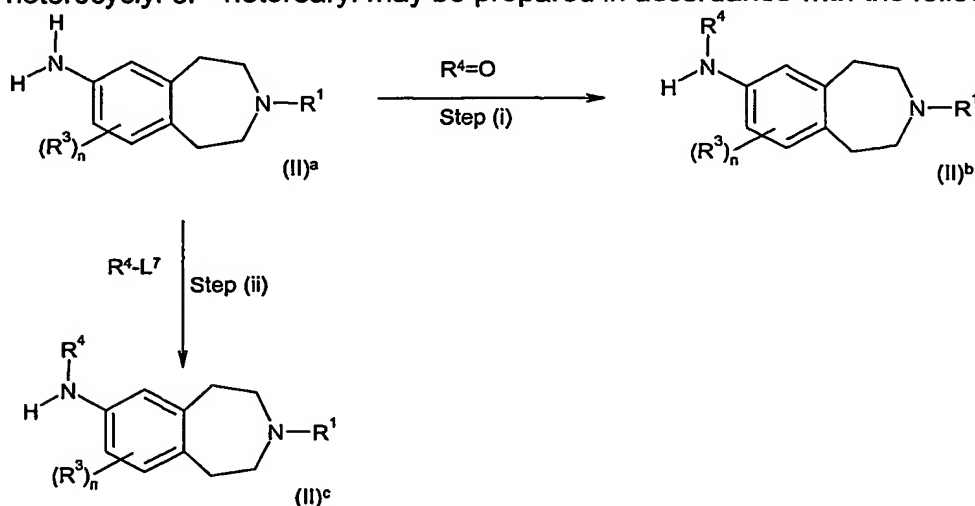


wherein R^1 , R^1 , R^3 and n are as defined above.

Step (i) can be performed under reducing conditions in an analogous manner to that described for process (i) above.

- 5 Step (ii) comprises a reduction reaction, for example reaction of a compound of formula (V) with hydrogen in the presence of a catalyst, for example palladium in methanol.

Compounds of formula (II) wherein R^4 represents $-C_{1-6}$ alkyl, $-C_{3-8}$ cycloalkyl, -aryl, -heterocyclyl or -heteroaryl may be prepared in accordance with the following scheme:



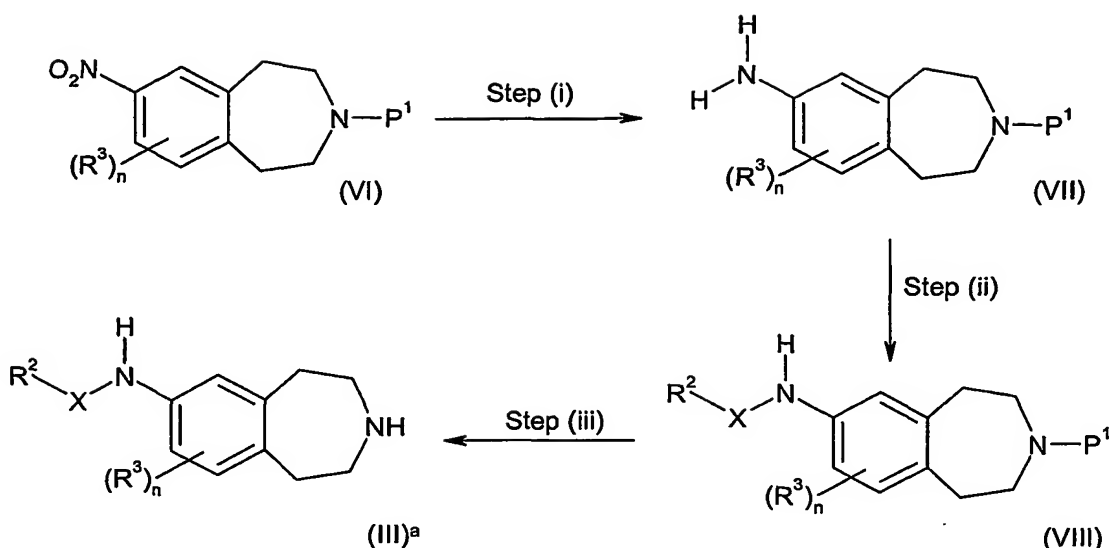
10 wherein R^1 , R^3 and n are as defined above and L^7 represents a suitable leaving group such as a halogen atom (e.g. bromine or iodine).

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20 When the leaving group L^7 is attached to an sp^3 hybridised carbon, for example, R^4-L^7 is an alkyl halide, step (ii) typically comprises the use of a suitable base, such as potassium hydroxide in an appropriate solvent such as methanol at an appropriate temperature such as reflux.

25 When the leaving group L^7 is attached to an sp^2 hybridised carbon, for example, R^4-L^7 is an aryl or heteroaryl halide, step (ii) typically comprises the use of a transition metal catalyst, such as a palladium salt (e.g. Palladium (II) acetate), in combination with a suitable ligand, such as a BINAP, in the presence of a base such as potassium carbonate, in an appropriate solvent such as toluene, at an appropriate temperature such as reflux.

Compounds of formula (III) wherein R^4 represents hydrogen may be prepared in accordance with the following scheme:



wherein R², R³, X and n are as defined above and P¹ represents a suitable protecting group such as Boc.

- 5 Step (i) comprises a reduction reaction, for example reaction of a compound of formula (VI) with hydrogen in the presence of a catalyst, for example palladium in methanol.

Step (ii) can be performed as highlighted in processes (a - g).

- 10 Step (iii) comprises a deprotection reaction and may be performed according to the process (j).

Compounds of formula (IV) may be prepared in accordance with procedures shown in WO 03/68752.

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Compounds of formula (VI) may be prepared in accordance with procedures shown in WO 03/68751.

- 20 Compounds of formula (I) and their pharmaceutically acceptable salts have affinity for and are antagonists and/or inverse agonists of the histamine H₃ receptor and are believed to be of potential use in the treatment of neurological diseases including Alzheimer's disease, dementia (including Lewy body dementia and vascular dementia), age-related memory dysfunction, mild cognitive impairment, cognitive deficit, epilepsy, neuropathic pain, inflammatory pain, migraine, Parkinson's disease, multiple sclerosis, stroke and sleep disorders (including narcolepsy and sleep deficits associated with Parkinson's disease);
- 25 psychiatric disorders including schizophrenia (particularly cognitive deficit of schizophrenia), attention deficit hyperactivity disorder, depression, anxiety and addiction; and other diseases including obesity and gastro-intestinal disorders.

It will be appreciated that certain compounds of formula (I) believed to be of potential use in the treatment of Alzheimer's disease and cognitive deficit of schizophrenia will advantageously be CNS penetrant, e.g. have the potential to cross the blood-brain barrier.

- 5 It will also be appreciated that compounds of formula (I) may have the advantage of being selective for the histamine H3 receptor over other histamine receptor subtypes, such as the histamine H1 receptor. Generally, compounds of the invention may have the advantage of being at least 10 fold selective for H3 over H1, such as at least 100 fold selective.
- 10 Thus the invention also provides a compound of formula (I) or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof, for use as a therapeutic substance in the treatment or prophylaxis of the above disorders, in particular cognitive impairments in diseases such as Alzheimer's disease and related neurodegenerative disorders.
- 15 The invention further provides a method of treatment or prophylaxis of the above disorders, in mammals including humans, which comprises administering to the sufferer a therapeutically effective amount of a compound of formula (I) or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof.
- 20 In another aspect, the invention provides the use of a compound of formula (I) or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof in the manufacture of a medicament for use in the treatment of the above disorders.

When used in therapy, the compounds of formula (I) are usually formulated in a standard pharmaceutical composition. Such compositions can be prepared using standard procedures.

Thus, the present invention further provides a pharmaceutical composition for use in the treatment of the above disorders which comprises the compound of formula (I) or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof and a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier.

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Compounds of formula (I) may be used in combination with other therapeutic agents, for example medicaments claimed to be useful as either disease modifying or symptomatic treatments of Alzheimer's disease. Suitable examples of such other therapeutic agents may be agents known to modify cholinergic transmission such as 5-HT₆ antagonists, M1 muscarinic agonists, M2 muscarinic antagonists or acetylcholinesterase inhibitors. When

the compounds are used in combination with other therapeutic agents, the compounds may be administered either sequentially or simultaneously by any convenient route.

5 The invention thus provides, in a further aspect, a combination comprising a compound of formula (I) or a pharmaceutically acceptable derivative thereof together with a further therapeutic agent or agents.

10 The combinations referred to above may conveniently be presented for use in the form of a pharmaceutical formulation and thus pharmaceutical formulations comprising a combination as defined above together with a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier or excipient comprise a further aspect of the invention. The individual components of such combinations may be administered either sequentially or simultaneously in separate or combined pharmaceutical formulations.

15 When a compound of formula (I) or a pharmaceutically acceptable derivative thereof is used in combination with a second therapeutic agent active against the same disease state the dose of each compound may differ from that when the compound is used alone. Appropriate doses will be readily appreciated by those skilled in the art.

20 A pharmaceutical composition of the invention, which may be prepared by admixture, suitably at ambient temperature and atmospheric pressure, is usually adapted for oral, parenteral or rectal administration and, as such, may be in the form of tablets, capsules, oral liquid preparations, powders, granules, lozenges, reconstitutable powders, injectable or infusible solutions or suspensions or suppositories. Orally administrable compositions are
25 generally preferred.

Tablets and capsules for oral administration may be in unit dose form, and may contain conventional excipients, such as binding agents, fillers, tableting lubricants, disintegrants and acceptable wetting agents. The tablets may be coated according to methods well
30 known in normal pharmaceutical practice.

Oral liquid preparations may be in the form of, for example, aqueous or oily suspension, solutions, emulsions, syrups or elixirs, or may be in the form of a dry product for reconstitution with water or other suitable vehicle before use. Such liquid preparations may
35 contain conventional additives such as suspending agents, emulsifying agents, non-aqueous vehicles (which may include edible oils), preservatives, and, if desired, conventional flavourings or colorants.

40 For parenteral administration, fluid unit dosage forms are prepared utilising a compound of the invention or pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof and a sterile vehicle. The compound, depending on the vehicle and concentration used, can be either suspended or dissolved in the vehicle. In preparing solutions, the compound can be dissolved for

injection and filter sterilised before filling into a suitable vial or ampoule and sealing. Advantageously, adjuvants such as a local anaesthetic, preservatives and buffering agents are dissolved in the vehicle. To enhance the stability, the composition can be frozen after filling into the vial and the water removed under vacuum. Parenteral suspensions are prepared in substantially the same manner, except that the compound is suspended in the vehicle instead of being dissolved, and sterilisation cannot be accomplished by filtration. The compound can be sterilised by exposure to ethylene oxide before suspension in a sterile vehicle. Advantageously, a surfactant or wetting agent is included in the composition to facilitate uniform distribution of the compound.

The composition may contain from 0.1% to 99% by weight, preferably from 10 to 60% by weight, of the active material, depending on the method of administration. The dose of the compound used in the treatment of the aforementioned disorders will vary in the usual way with the seriousness of the disorders, the weight of the sufferer, and other similar factors. However, as a general guide suitable unit doses may be 0.05 to 1000 mg, more suitably 1.0 to 200 mg, and such unit doses may be administered more than once a day, for example two or three a day. Such therapy may extend for a number of weeks or months.

The following Descriptions and Examples illustrate the preparation of compounds of the invention.

Description 1

3-Cyclobutyl-7-nitro-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1H-3-benzazepine (D1)

Sodium triacetoxymethylborohydride (320 mg, 1.5 mmol) was added to a stirred solution of 7-nitro-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1H-3-benzazepine (EP285323) (192 mg, 1 mmol), cyclobutanone (105 mg, 1.5 mmol) in dichloromethane (10 ml). After 1 hour at room temperature the reaction mixture was diluted with dichloromethane (100 ml) and washed with a saturated solution of sodium bicarbonate, water and brine. The organic layer was dried (sodium sulfate), filtered and concentrated *in vacuo* to afford the title compound (D1). MS (ES+) m/e 247 [M+H]⁺.

Description 2

3-Cyclobutyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1H-3-benzazepin-7-amine (D2)

3-Cyclobutyl-7-nitro-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1H-3-benzazepine (D1) (2 g) was dissolved in methanol (2 ml) and tetrahydrofuran (30 ml). Palladium (200 mg, 10% on charcoal paste) was added and the reaction mixture was stirred at room temperature under hydrogen (1 atmosphere) for 5 hours. The reaction mixture was filtered through celite and the filtrate concentrated *in vacuo* to afford the title compound (D2). MS (ES+) m/e 217 [M+H]⁺.

Description 3

1,1-Dimethylethyl 7-[(4-morpholinylcarbonyl)amino]-1,2,4,5-tetrahydro-3H-3-benzazepine-3-carboxylate (D3)

1,1-Dimethylethyl 7-amino-1,2,4,5-tetrahydro-3H-3-benzazepine-3-carboxylate (PCT Int. Appl. (1998), WO 98/30560) (393 mg, 1.5 mmol) was stirred in dichloromethane (5ml) with diethylaminomethyl polystyrene (3.2 mmol/g, 1.00 g, 3.2 mmol). Morpholine carbamoyl chloride (0.27 ml, 1.8 mmol) was added and the mixture stirred at room temperature for 16 hours. The resin was filtered, washed with dichloromethane and the filtrate concentrated *in vacuo*. The residue was purified by column chromatography (dichloromethane to 1:9:90 .880 ammonia: ethanol: dichloromethane) to afford the title compound (D3). MS (ES+) m/e 374 [M-H]⁻.

Description 4

N-(2,3,4,5-Tetrahydro-1H-3-benzazepin-7-yl)-4-morpholinecarboxamide (D4)

1,1-Dimethylethyl-7-[(4-morpholinylcarbonyl)amino]-1,2,4,5-tetrahydro-3H-3-benzazepine-3-carboxylate (D3) (562 mg, 1.5 mmol) was dissolved in dichloromethane (10 ml) and treated with trifluoroacetic acid (5 ml). The solution was stirred at room temperature for 1 hour, concentrated *in vacuo* and then twice co-evaporated with dichloromethane. The residue was dissolved in methanol and applied to a SCX (Varian bond-elute, 10g) and washed with methanol and then a mixture of .880 ammonia/ methanol. The combined basic fractions were concentrated *in vacuo* and the residue purified by column chromatography (1:9:40 .880 ammonia: ethanol: dichloromethane) to afford the title compound (D4). MS (ES+) m/e 254 [M+H]⁺.

Description 5

3-(5-Pyrimidinyl)benzoic acid (D5)

A mixture of 3-carboxyphenylboronic acid (200 mg, 1.20 mmol), 5-bromopyrimidine (211 mg, 1.33 mmol), (1,1'-bis-(diphenylphosphino)-ferrocene) palladium dichloride (88 mg, 0.12 mmol) and 2M sodium carbonate solution (1.2 ml) in 1,4-dioxane (10 ml) was heated at 80 °C for 1.5 hours. The mixture was allowed to cool to room temperature and left to stand for 18 hours. The mixture was poured into 0.5M hydrochloric acid (20 ml). This was extracted with ethyl acetate (x 3). The ethyl acetate layers were combined, washed with brine, dried under magnesium sulphate and evaporated *in vacuo* to afford the title compound (D5) MS (ES+), m/e 201 [M+H]⁺.

Description 6

3-(2-Pyrazinyl)benzoic acid (D6)

A mixture of 3-carboxyphenylboronic acid (500 mg, 3.01 mmol), chloropyrazine (0.27 ml, 3.01 mmol), tetrakis(triphenylphosphine)palladium(0) (0.17 g, 0.15 mmol) and 0.5M sodium carbonate solution (15 ml) in acetonitrile (15 ml) was heated at 90 °C for 4 hours. The mixture was allowed to cool to room temperature and left to stand for 18 hours. The mixture was poured into 2M hydrochloric acid (25 ml). This was extracted with ethyl acetate (x 3). The ethyl acetate layers were combined, washed with brine, dried under magnesium sulphate and evaporated *in vacuo* to afford the title compound (D6) MS (ES+), m/e 201 [M+H]⁺.

Descriptions 7 and 8

Descriptions 7 and 8 (D7 and D8) were synthesised in the same manner as Description 6 (D6) using either 3-carboxyphenylboronic acid or 4-carboxyphenylboronic acid and substituting chloropyrazine with 4-chloropyrimidine (*Biorganic Chem*, 2002, 30, 3, 188) as shown in the table:

Description	Boronic Acid	Mass Spectrum
3-(4-Pyrimidinyl)benzoic acid (D7)	3-Carboxyphenylboronic acid	MS (ES+), m/e 201 [M+H] ⁺ .
4-(4-Pyrimidinyl)benzoic acid (D8)	4-Carboxyphenylboronic acid	MS (ES+), m/e 201 [M+H] ⁺ .

Description 910 **N-(3-Cyclobutyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1H-3-benzazepin-7-yl)-3-iodobenzamide (D9)**

The title compound (D9) was synthesised in the same manner as Example 8 (E8) using dimethylformamide as solvent and substituting 4-(2-pyridinyl) benzoic acid with 3-iodobenzoic acid MS (ES+), m/e 447 [M+H]⁺.

15 **Description 10****5-[[3-(3-Cyclobutyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1H-3-benzazepin-7-yl)amino]carbonyl]-2-pyrazinecarboxylic acid (D10)**

The title compound (D10) was synthesised in the same manner as Example 8 (E8) using dimethylformamide as solvent and substituting 4-(2-pyridinyl) benzoic acid with 2,5-pyrazinedicarboxylic acid MS (ES+), m/e 367 [M+H]⁺.

Description 11**6-Chloro-N-(3-cyclobutyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1H-3-benzazepin-7-yl)-3-pyridinecarboxamide (D11)**

25 A mixture of 3-cyclobutyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1H-3-benzazepin-7-amine (D2, 100 mg, 0.46mmol), 6-chloro-3-pyridinecarbonyl chloride (86 mg, 0.48 mmol) and polystyrene supported morpholine (125 mg of 3 mmol/g resin) in tetrahydrofuran (3 ml) was stirred at room temperature for 18 hours. The mixture was diluted with methanol and the resin removed by filtration. The filtrate was concentrated *in vacuo* to afford the title compound
30 (D11) MS (ES+), m/e 356 & 358 [M+H]⁺

Description 12**5-Bromo-N-(3-cyclobutyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1H-3-benzazepin-7-yl)-2-pyridinecarboxamide (D12)**

35 A mixture of 5-bromo-2-pyridinecarboxylic acid (140 mg, 0.69 mmol), N-cyclohexylcarbodiimide N'-methyl polystyrene (544 mg, 0.92 mmol), and 1-hydroxybenzotriazole (124 mg, 0.92 mmol) in dry dimethylformamide (5 ml) were stirred

under argon at room temperature for 10 mins. A solution of 3-cyclobutyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1H-3-benzazepin-7-amine (D2, 100 mg, 0.46 mmol) in dry dimethylformamide (1 ml) was added, and the reaction mixture left to stir at room temperature for 16h. The mixture was applied to a SCX ion exchange cartridge (Varian bond-elute, 10g), washed with methanol and then with a mixture of .880 ammonia: methanol (1: 9). The combined basic fractions were concentrated *in vacuo* and the resulting residue purified by column chromatography eluting with a mixture of 10% .880 ammonia in methanol: dichloromethane (0 to 5%) to afford the title product (D12); MS (ES+) m/e 400, 402 [M+H]⁺.

Description 13

5-Chloro-N-(3-cyclobutyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1H-3-benzazepin-7-yl)-2-pyrazinecarboxamide (D13)

A mixture of N-(3-cyclobutyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1H-3-benzazepin-7-yl)-5-hydroxy-2-pyrazinecarboxamide (E9) (1.41 g, 4.2 mmol) and phosphorus oxychloride (6 ml) was heated at reflux for 1 hour. The mixture was allowed to cool and was poured onto ice. The resulting solution was basified using sodium carbonate and extracted with dichloromethane. The extracts were dried (sodium sulphate) and concentrated *in vacuo* to afford the title compound (D13) MS (ES+), m/e 357 & 359 [M+H]⁺

Description 14

1,1-Dimethylethyl-7-[(4-pyridinylcarbonyl)amino]-1,2,4,5-tetrahydro-3H-3-benzazepine-3-carboxylate (D14)

A solution of 7-amino-1,2,4,5-tetrahydro-3-benzazepine-3-carboxylic acid tert-butyl ester (EP 284384) (0.50g, 1.9mmole) in dichloromethane (20ml) was treated with diethylaminomethyl-polystyrene (3.2mmole/g) (1.78g, 5.7mmole) followed by 4-pyridinecarbonyl chloride hydrochloride (0.41g, 2.3mmole) and the mixture was stirred at ambient temperature for 4 hours. The reaction mixture was filtered and the residue washed with dichloromethane. The filtrate was evaporated *in vacuo* and the residue purified by column chromatography eluting with a mixture of dichloromethane/ methanol (19:1) to afford the title compound (D14); MS (ES+), m/e 368 [M +H]⁺

Description 15

N-(2,3,4,5-Tetrahydro-1H-3-benzazepin-7-yl)-4-pyridinecarboxamide (D15)

1,1-Dimethylethyl-7-[(4-pyridinylcarbonyl)amino]-1,2,4,5-tetrahydro-3H-3-benzazepine-3-carboxylate (D14) (0.49g, 1.3mmole) in dichloromethane (10ml) was treated with trifluoroacetic acid (5ml). The solvent was removed *in vacuo* and the residue co evaporated with dichloromethane. The residue was dissolved in methanol and passed down an SCX column eluting with methanol, followed by 2M ammonia in methanol. The basic fractions were combined and concentrated *in vacuo* to afford the title compound (D15); MS (ES+), m/e 268 [M +H]⁺

Description 16**Ethyl 4-(1,3-oxazol-4-yl)benzoate (D16)**

A mixture of ethyl 4-(bromoacetyl) benzoate (1.41g, 5.5 mmol) and ammonium formate (0.92g; 15.6 mmol) in formic acid 5 ml) was heated at reflux for 3 hours. The mixture was allowed to cool and poured into water. This mixture was basified using concentrated sodium hydroxide solution and extracted with ethyl acetate. The extracts were dried (sodium sulphate) and concentrated *in vacuo*. The residue was purified by column chromatography eluting with a mixture of pentane and ethyl acetate (4-1) to afford the title compound (D16). NMR (CDCl₃) δ 8.09 (2H, m), 8.05 (H, s), 7.97 (H, s), 7.82 (2H, m), 4.39 (2H, q), 1.41 (3H, t).

Description 17**4-(1,3-Oxazol-4-yl)benzoic acid (D17)**

Ethyl 4-(1,3-oxazol-4-yl)benzoate (D16) (210 mg, 0.97 mmol) and sodium hydroxide (170 mg, 5 mmol) in a mixture of ethanol (6 ml) and water (1 ml) was heated at reflux for 30 minutes. The mixture was allowed to cool and concentrated *in vacuo*. The residue was dissolved in water and acidified with 2M hydrochloric acid and the mixture extracted with ethyl acetate. The extracts were dried (sodium sulphate) and concentrated *in vacuo* to afford the title compound (D17), MS (ES⁺), m/e 190 [M+H]⁺.

Description 18**1-(6-Chloro-3-pyridinyl)-2-pyrrolidinone (D18)**

A mixture of 2-chloro-5-iodopyridine (1 g, 4.2 mmol), potassium carbonate (2.1 g, 15 mmol), copper (I) iodide (80 mg, 0.42 mmol), 2-pyrrolidinone (338 mg, 4 mmol) and *N,N'*-dimethyl-1,2-ethanediamine (37 mg, 0.42 mmol) in 1,4-dioxan (20 ml) was heated at reflux for 18 hours. The mixture was filtered through Celite and the filtrate evaporated. The residue was purified by column chromatography eluting with 1-1 pentane – ethyl acetate to afford the title compound (D18) MS (ES⁺) m/e 197, 199 [M+H]⁺.

Description 19**4-(6-Cyano-3-pyridinyl)benzoic acid (D19)**

A mixture of 5-bromo-2-pyridinecarbonitrile (162 mg, 0.9 mmol), 4-(4,4,5,5-tetramethyl-1,3,2-dioxaborolan-2-yl)benzoic acid (200 mg, 0.8 mmol) and diphenylphosphino dichloro palladium (30 mg, 0.04 mmol) in 1,4-dioxan (5 ml) and 1M sodium carbonate solution 2 ml) was heated at reflux for 18 hours. The mixture was poured into 1M sodium carbonate solution and washed with ethyl acetate. The aqueous portion was acidified with 2M hydrochloric acid and extracted with ethyl acetate. The extracts were dried with sodium sulphate and evaporated to give the title compound (D19), MS (ES⁻) m/e 223 [M-H].

Description 20**1,1-Dimethylethyl 7-[[[(5-methyl-1-phenyl-1H-pyrazol-4-yl)carbonyl]amino]-1,2,4,5-tetrahydro-3H-3-benzazepine-3-carboxylate (D20)**

A mixture of 1,1-dimethylethyl 7-amino-1,2,4,5-tetrahydro-3H-3-benzazepine-3-carboxylate [EP284384] (1.0g, 3.82mmol), 5-methyl-1-phenyl-1H-pyrazole-4-carboxylic acid (1.2g, 5.72mmol), triethylamine (0.80ml, 5.72mmol), O-(1H-benzotriazol-1-yl)-N,N,N',N'-tetramethyluronium hexafluorophosphate (2.17g, 5.72mmol) and hydroxybenzotriazole hydrate (0.29g, 1.91mmol) in dimethylformamide (30ml) was stirred at room temperature for 18 hours. The reaction mixture was concentrated *in vacuo* and diluted with dichloromethane (50ml), and the resulting organic phase washed with a saturated solution of sodium bicarbonate. The organic phase was dried (magnesium sulphate) and concentrated *in vacuo*. The residue was purified by silica gel chromatography, eluting with ethyl acetate:hexane (3:7) to afford the title compound (D20) (1.65g, 97%). MS (ES+) m/e 447 [M+H]⁺.

Description 21

1,1-Dimethylethyl 7-[(5-methyl-2-phenyl-2H-1,2,3-triazol-4-yl)carbonyl]amino}-1,2,4,5-tetrahydro-3H-3-benzazepine-3-carboxylate (D21)

Description 21 (D21) was prepared using an analogous method to that described for Description 20 (D20) using 5-methyl-2-phenyl-2H-1,2,3-triazole-4-carboxylic acid. MS (ES+) m/e 448 [M+H]⁺.

Description 22

5-Methyl-1-phenyl-N-(2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1H-3-benzazepin-7-yl)-1H-pyrazole-4-carboxamide (D22)

Trifluoroacetic acid (4ml) was added dropwise to a solution of 1,1-dimethylethyl 7-[(5-methyl-1-phenyl-1H-pyrazol-4-yl)carbonyl]amino}-1,2,4,5-tetrahydro-3H-3-benzazepine-3-carboxylate (D20) (960mg, 2.15mmol) and 1,3-dimethoxybenzene (4ml) in dichloromethane (12ml) at 0°C. The mixture was stirred at room temperature for 3 hours, applied to a SCX cartridge (Isolute-flash, 10g), and washed with methanol followed by a 1:4 mixture of 2M ammonia:methanol to elute the title compound (D22) (675 mg, 91%). MS (ES+) m/e 347 [M+H]⁺.

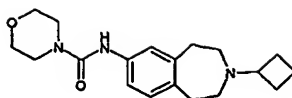
Description 23

5-Methyl-2-phenyl-N-(2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1H-3-benzazepin-7-yl)-2H-1,2,3-triazole-4-carboxamide (D23)

Description 23 (D23) was prepared using an analogous method to that described for Description 22 (D22) from 1,1-dimethylethyl 7-[(5-methyl-2-phenyl-2H-1,2,3-triazol-4-yl)carbonyl]amino}-1,2,4,5-tetrahydro-3H-3-benzazepine-3-carboxylate (D21) (1.24 g, 2.77 mmol) to give the title compound (D23) (0.869 g, 90%). MS (ES+) m/e 348 [M+H]⁺.

Example 1

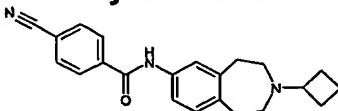
N-(3-Cyclobutyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1H-3-benzazepin-7-yl)-4-morpholinecarboxamide (E1)



5 *N*-(2,3,4,5-Tetrahydro-1*H*-3-benzazepin-7-yl)-4-morpholinecarboxamide (D4) (250mg, 0.9mmol) was dissolved in 1% acetic acid in methanol (20ml) at 0 °C and treated dropwise with cyclobutanone (95mg, 1.35mmol). The mixture was stirred for 30 minutes and then (polystyrylmethyl)trimethylammonium borohydride (2mmol/g, 900mg, 1.8mmol) was added portion wise. The reaction mixture was stirred at room temperature for 18 hours, applied to a SCX (Varian bond-elute, 10g) and washed with methanol and then a mixture of .880 ammonia/ methanol. The combined basic fractions concentrated *in vacuo* and the residue purified by column chromatography eluting with a mixture of .880 ammonia: ethanol: dichloromethane (2:18:80) to afford the title compound (E1). MS (ES+) *m/e* 330 [M+H]⁺.

Example 2

4-Cyano-*N*-(3-cyclobutyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1*H*-3-benzazepin-7-yl)benzamide (E2)



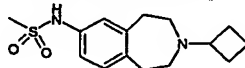
15 3-Cyclobutyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1*H*-3-benzazepin-7-amine (D2) (162mg, 0.75mmol) was stirred in dichloromethane (12ml) with diethylaminomethyl polystyrene (3.2mmol/g, 70mg, 2.25 mmol). 4-Cyanobenzoyl chloride (149mg, 0.9mmol) was added and the mixture stirred at room temperature for 1 hour. The reaction was diluted with methanol (10ml) and applied to a SCX ion exchange cartridge (Varian bond-elute, 10g), washed with methanol and then a mixture of .880 ammonia:methanol (1:9). The combined basic fractions were concentrated *in vacuo* and the residue purified by column chromatography .880 ammonia: ethanol: dichloromethane (2:18:80) to afford the title compound (E2). MS (ES+) *m/e* 346 [M+H]⁺.

25 Examples 3-5

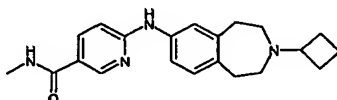
Examples 3-5 (E3-5) were prepared using an analogous method to that described for Example 2 (E2) from the appropriate acid chloride indicated in the table:

Example	Acid Chloride	LC/MS (M+H ⁺)
<i>N</i> -(3-Cyclobutyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1 <i>H</i> -3-benzazepin-7-yl)tetrahydro-2 <i>H</i> -pyran-4-carboxamide (E3)	Tetrahydro-2 <i>H</i> -pyran-4-carbonyl chloride (<i>Helv. Chim. Acta.</i> 1997, 80(5), 1528)	329
<i>N</i> -(3-Cyclobutyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1 <i>H</i> -3-benzazepin-7-yl)acetamide (E4)	Acetyl chloride	259
<i>N</i> -(3-Cyclobutyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1 <i>H</i> -3-benzazepin-7-	Cyclopropane carbonyl chloride.	285

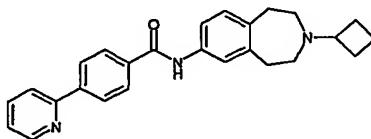
yl)cyclopropanecarboxamide (E5)	
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Example 6***N*-(3-Cyclobutyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1*H*-3-benzazepin-7-yl)methanesulfonamide (E6)**

- 5 3-Cyclobutyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1*H*-3-benzazepin-7-amine (D2) (151mg, 0.75mmol) was stirred in dichloromethane (3ml). Methane sulfonyl chloride (103mg, 0.9mmol) was added and the mixture stirred at room temperature for 1 hour. Methanol (1ml) was added and the reaction was stirred for a further 0.5 hours then concentrated *in vacuo*. The crude mixture was triturated with diethyl ether, filtered and the solid was redissolved in methanol and
- 10 concentrated *in vacuo* to afford the title compound (E6). MS (ES+) *m/e* 295 [M+H]⁺.

Example 7**6-[(3-Cyclobutyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1*H*-3-benzazepin-7-yl)amino]-*N*-methyl-3-pyridinecarboxamide (E7)**

- 15 Palladium (II) acetate (11mg, 0.05mmol) was added to a stirred solution of 3-cyclobutyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1*H*-3-benzazepin-7-amine (D2) (216mg, 1.0mmol), 6-chloro-*N*-methyl-3-pyridinecarboxamide (PCT Int. Appl. (2002), WO 02/0246186) (108mg, 1mmol), (±)-2,2'-bis(diphenylphosphino)-1,1'-binaphthyl (31mg, 0.05mmol) and potassium carbonate (276mg, 2mmol) in toluene (14ml). The reaction mixture was heated at reflux for 4 hours, cooled to room temperature and applied to a SCX ion exchange cartridge (Varian bond-elute, 10g), washed with methanol and then a mixture of .880 ammonia:methanol. The combined basic fractions were concentrated *in vacuo* and the residue purified by column chromatography .880 ammonia: ethanol: dichloromethane (1:9:90) to afford the title compound (E7). MS
- 20 (ES+) *m/e* 346 [M+H]⁺.
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Example 8***N*-(3-Cyclobutyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1*H*-3-benzazepin-7-yl)-4-(2-pyridinyl)benzamide (E8)**

- 30 A mixture 4-(2-pyridinyl)benzoic acid (219 mg, 1.1 mmol), 1-hydroxybenzotriazole hydrate (297 mg, 2.2 mmol) and *N*-cyclohexylcarbodiimide-*N*'-methyl polystyrene (1.3 g, 2.2 mmol, resin loading 1.8mmol/g) in dimethylformamide (5ml) was stirred at room temperature for 30 minutes. A solution of 3-cyclobutyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1*H*-3-benzazepin-7-amine (D2) (200 mg, 0.9 mmol) in dimethylformamide (3ml) was added and the mixture stirred at room
- 35 temperature for 18 hours. The mixture was filtered through an SCX ion exchange column

eluting with methanol followed by 2.0 M ammonia solution in methanol to elute the product. The residue was purified by silica gel chromatography eluting with a 1:9:90 mixture of 0.880 ammonia solution:methanol:dichloromethane to afford the title compound (E8) (199 mg, 54%); MS(ES⁺) m/e 398 [M+H]⁺.

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Examples 9-12

Examples 9-12 (E9-E12) were synthesised in the same manner as Example 8 (E8) from 3-cyclobutyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1*H*-3-benzazepin-7-amine (D2) using dichloromethane and/or dimethylformamide as solvent and substituting 4-(2-pyridinyl) benzoic acid with the appropriate acid as shown in the table:

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Example	Acid	Mass Spectrum
<i>N</i> -(3-Cyclobutyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1 <i>H</i> -3-benzazepin-7-yl)-5-hydroxy-2-pyrazinecarboxamide (E9)	5-Hydroxy-2-pyrazinecarboxylic acid	MS (ES ⁺), m/e 339 [M+H] ⁺ .
<i>N</i> -(3-Cyclobutyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1 <i>H</i> -3-benzazepin-7-yl)-4-(1,3-oxazol-4-yl)benzamide (E10)	4-(1,3-Oxazol-4-yl)benzoic acid (D17)	MS (ES ⁺), m/e 388 [M+H] ⁺ .
<i>N</i> -(3-Cyclobutyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1 <i>H</i> -3-benzazepin-7-yl)-4-iodobenzamide (E11)	4-Iodobenzoic acid	MS (ES ⁺), m/e 447 [M+H] ⁺ .
<i>N</i> -(3-Cyclobutyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1 <i>H</i> -3-benzazepin-7-yl)-4-(3-pyridinyl)benzamide (E12)	4-(3-Pyridinyl) benzoic acid	MS (ES ⁺), m/e 398 [M+H] ⁺ .

Example 13

Example 13 (E13) was prepared from 5-methyl-1-phenyl-*N*-(2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1*H*-3-benzazepin-7-yl)-1*H*-pyrazole-4-carboxamide (D22) using an analogous method to that described for Example 277 (E277) from the appropriate ketone indicated in the table, except after the SCX column, the residues were purified by MDAP.

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Example	Ketone	LC/MS (M+H ⁺)
<i>N</i> -(3-Cyclohexyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1 <i>H</i> -3-benzazepin-7-yl)-5-methyl-1-phenyl-1 <i>H</i> -pyrazole-4-carboxamide trifluoroacetate (E13)	Cyclohexanone	429

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Examples 14-85

Examples 14-85 (E14-E85) were synthesised in the same manner as Example 8 (E8) from 3-cyclobutyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1*H*-3-benzazepin-7-amine (D2) using dichloromethane

and/or dimethylformamide as solvent and substituting 4-(2-pyridinyl) benzoic acid with the appropriate acid as shown in the table:

Example	Acid	Mass Spectrum
<i>N</i> -(3-Cyclobutyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1 <i>H</i> -3-benzazepin-7-yl)-4-(1,3-oxazol-5-yl) benzamide (E14)	4-(1,3-Oxazol-5-yl) benzoic acid	MS (ES+), m/e 388 [M+H] ⁺ .
<i>N</i> -(3-Cyclobutyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1 <i>H</i> -3-benzazepin-7-yl)-4-(3,5-dimethyl-4-isoxazolyl)benzamide (E15)	4-(3,5-Dimethyl-4-isoxazolyl) benzoic acid (Oriental Journal of Chemistry (1998), 14(1), 151-152)	MS (ES+), m/e 416 [M+H] ⁺ .
<i>N</i> -(3-Cyclobutyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1 <i>H</i> -3-benzazepin-7-yl)-4-imidazo[1,2- <i>a</i>]pyridin-2-ylbenzamide (E16)	4-Imidazo[1,2- <i>a</i>]pyridin-2-ylbenzoic acid (WO 95/34540)	MS (ES+), m/e 437 [M+H] ⁺ .
<i>N</i> -(3-Cyclobutyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1 <i>H</i> -3-benzazepin-7-yl)-1,2,5-oxadiazole-3-carboxamide (E17)	1,2,5-Oxadiazole-3-carboxylic acid	MS (ES+), m/e 313 [M+H] ⁺ .
<i>N</i> -(3-Cyclobutyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1 <i>H</i> -3-benzazepin-7-yl)-3-isoxazolecarboxamide (E18)	3-Isoxazole carboxylic acid	MS (ES+), m/e 312 [M+H] ⁺ .
<i>N</i> -(3-Cyclobutyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1 <i>H</i> -3-benzazepin-7-yl) cyclohexane carboxamide (E19)	Cyclohexane carboxylic acid	MS (ES+), m/e 327 [M+H] ⁺ .
<i>N</i> -(3-Cyclobutyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1 <i>H</i> -3-benzazepin-7-yl)-2-cyclopentyl acetamide (E20)	2-Cyclopentyl acetic acid	MS (ES+), m/e 327 [M+H] ⁺ .
<i>N</i> -(3-Cyclobutyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1 <i>H</i> -3-benzazepin-7-yl)-3-methylbenzamide (E21)	3-Methyl benzoic acid	MS (ES+), m/e 335 [M+H] ⁺ .
<i>N</i> -(3-Cyclobutyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1 <i>H</i> -3-benzazepin-7-yl)-4-fluorobenzamide (E22)	4-Fluorobenzoic acid	MS (ES+), m/e 339 [M+H] ⁺ .
<i>N</i> -(3-Cyclobutyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1 <i>H</i> -3-benzazepin-7-yl)-3-methyl-2-thiophenecarboxamide (E23)	3-Methyl-2-thiophene carboxylic acid	MS (ES+), m/e 341 [M+H] ⁺ .
<i>N</i> -(3-Cyclobutyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1 <i>H</i> -3-benzazepin-7-yl)bicyclo[4.2.0]octa-1,3,5-triene-7-carboxamide (E24)	Bicyclo[4.2.0]octa-1,3,5-triene-7-carboxylic acid	MS (ES+), m/e 347 [M+H] ⁺ .
<i>N</i> -(3-Cyclobutyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1 <i>H</i> -3-	2-Methylbenzoic	MS (ES+), m/e

benzazepin-7-yl)-2-methylbenzamide (E25)	acid	335 [M+H] ⁺ .
<i>N</i> -(3-Cyclobutyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1 <i>H</i> -3-benzazepin-7-yl)-4-methylbenzamide (E26)	4-Methylbenzoic acid	MS (ES ⁺), m/e 335 [M+H] ⁺ .
<i>N</i> -(3-Cyclobutyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1 <i>H</i> -3-benzazepin-7-yl)-2-ethylbutanamide (E27)	2-Ethylbutanoic acid	MS (ES ⁺), m/e 315 [M+H] ⁺ .
<i>N</i> -(3-Cyclobutyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1 <i>H</i> -3-benzazepin-7-yl)-3-fluorobenzamide (E28)	3-Fluorobenzoic acid	MS (ES ⁺), m/e 339 [M+H] ⁺ .
<i>N</i> -(3-Cyclobutyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1 <i>H</i> -3-benzazepin-7-yl)-4-(5-pyrimidinyl)benzamide (E29)	4-(5-Pyrimidinyl) benzoic acid	MS (ES ⁺), m/e 399 [M+H] ⁺ .
<i>N</i> -(3-Cyclobutyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1 <i>H</i> -3-benzazepin-7-yl)-4-(methylsulfonyl)benzamide (E30)	4-(Methylsulfonyl) benzoic acid	MS (ES ⁺), m/e 399 [M+H] ⁺ .
<i>N</i> -(3-Cyclobutyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1 <i>H</i> -3-benzazepin-7-yl)-6-quinoxalinecarboxamide (E31)	6-Quinoxaline carboxylic acid	MS (ES ⁺), m/e 373 [M+H] ⁺ .
<i>N</i> -(3-Cyclobutyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1 <i>H</i> -3-benzazepin-7-yl)-2-methyl-1,6-naphthyridine-3-carboxamide (E32)	2-Methyl-1,6-naphthyridine-3-carboxylic acid	MS (ES ⁺), m/e 387 [M+H] ⁺ .
<i>N</i> -(3-Cyclobutyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1 <i>H</i> -3-benzazepin-7-yl)-4-(1 <i>H</i> -tetrazol-1-yl)benzamide (E33)	4-(1 <i>H</i> -Tetrazol-1-yl)benzoic acid	MS (ES ⁺), m/e 389 [M+H] ⁺ .
4-(6-Cyano-3-pyridinyl)- <i>N</i> -(3-cyclobutyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1 <i>H</i> -3-benzazepin-7-yl)benzamide (E34)	4-(6-Cyano-3-pyridinyl)benzoic acid (D19)	MS (ES ⁺), m/e 423 [M+H] ⁺ .
<i>N</i> -(3-Cyclobutyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1 <i>H</i> -3-benzazepin-7-yl)-2-(trifluoromethyl)-1,8-naphthyridine-3-carboxamide (E35)	2-(Trifluoromethyl)-1,8-naphthyridine-3-carboxylic acid	MS (ES ⁺), m/e 441 [M+H] ⁺ .
<i>N</i> -(3-Cyclobutyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1 <i>H</i> -3-benzazepin-7-yl)-4-methylnicotinamide (E36)	4-Methylnicotinic acid	MS (ES ⁺), m/e 336 [M+H] ⁺ .
<i>N</i> -(3-Cyclobutyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1 <i>H</i> -3-benzazepin-7-yl)-6-methylnicotinamide (E37)	6-Methylnicotinic acid	MS (ES ⁺), m/e 336 [M+H] ⁺ .
<i>N</i> -(3-Cyclobutyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1 <i>H</i> -3-benzazepin-7-yl)nicotinamide (E38)	Nicotinic acid	MS (ES ⁺), m/e 322 [M+H] ⁺ .
<i>N</i> -(3-Cyclobutyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1 <i>H</i> -3-benzazepin-7-yl)-4-(trifluoromethyl)nicotinamide (E39)	4-(Trifluoromethyl) nicotinic acid	MS (ES ⁺), m/e 390 [M+H] ⁺ .

<i>N</i> -(3-Cyclobutyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1 <i>H</i> -3-benzazepin-7-yl)-6-(1 <i>H</i> -pyrazol-1-yl)nicotinamide (E40)	6-(1 <i>H</i> -Pyrazol-1-yl)nicotinic acid	MS (ES+), m/e 388 [M+H] ⁺ .
<i>N</i> -(3-Cyclobutyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1 <i>H</i> -3-benzazepin-7-yl)-6-(trifluoromethyl)nicotinamide (E41)	6-(Trifluoromethyl)nicotinic acid	MS (ES+), m/e 390 [M+H] ⁺ .
<i>N</i> -(3-Cyclobutyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1 <i>H</i> -3-benzazepin-7-yl)-4-(5-methyl-1 <i>H</i> -tetrazol-1-yl)benzamide (E42)	4-(5-Methyl-1 <i>H</i> -tetrazol-1-yl)benzoic acid (<i>J. Org. Chem.</i> , 1956, 21, 767)	MS (ES+), m/e 403 [M+H] ⁺ .
<i>N</i> -(3-Cyclobutyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1 <i>H</i> -3-benzazepin-7-yl)-5-(3-pyridinyl)-1 <i>H</i> -pyrazole-3-carboxamide (E43)	5-(3-Pyridinyl)-1 <i>H</i> -pyrazole-3-carboxylic acid (<i>J. Chem. Soc.</i> , 1933, 350)	MS (ES+), m/e 388 [M+H] ⁺ .
<i>N</i> -(3-Cyclobutyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1 <i>H</i> -3-benzazepin-7-yl)-6-(4-morpholinyl)-3-pyridinecarboxamide (E44)	6-(4-Morpholinyl)-3-pyridine carboxylic acid	MS (ES+), m/e 407 [M+H] ⁺ .
<i>N</i> -(3-Cyclobutyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1 <i>H</i> -3-benzazepin-7-yl)-1 <i>H</i> -1,2,3-benzotriazole-5-carboxamide (E45)	1 <i>H</i> -1,2,3-Benzotriazole-5-carboxylic acid (<i>Synth. Commun.</i> , 1993, 23, 14, 2019)	MS (ES+), m/e 362 [M+H] ⁺ .
<i>N</i> -(3-Cyclobutyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1 <i>H</i> -3-benzazepin-7-yl)-4-(2-pyrazinyl)benzamide (E46)	4-(2-Pyrazinyl)benzoic acid (<i>Syn. Lett.</i> , 2000, 6, 829)	MS (ES+), m/e 399 [M+H] ⁺ .
<i>N</i> -(3-Cyclobutyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1 <i>H</i> -3-benzazepin-7-yl)-2-methyl-1,8-naphthyridine-3-carboxamide (E47)	2-Methyl-1,8-naphthyridine-3-carboxylic acid	MS (ES+), m/e 387 [M+H] ⁺ .
<i>N</i> -(3-Cyclobutyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1 <i>H</i> -3-benzazepin-7-yl)-5-quinoxaline carboxamide (E48)	5-Quinoxaline carboxylic acid	MS (ES+), m/e 373 [M+H] ⁺ .
<i>N</i> -(3-Cyclobutyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1 <i>H</i> -3-benzazepin-7-yl)pyrazolo[1,5- <i>a</i>]pyrimidine-3-carboxamide (E49)	Pyrazolo[1,5- <i>a</i>]pyrimidine-3-carboxylic acid	MS (ES+), m/e 362 [M+H] ⁺ .
<i>N</i> -(3-Cyclobutyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1 <i>H</i> -3-benzazepin-7-yl)-5-pyrimidinecarboxamide (E50)	5-Pyrimidine carboxylic acid	MS (ES+), m/e 323 [M+H] ⁺ .
<i>N</i> -(3-Cyclobutyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1 <i>H</i> -3-	4-Pyridazine	MS (ES+), m/e

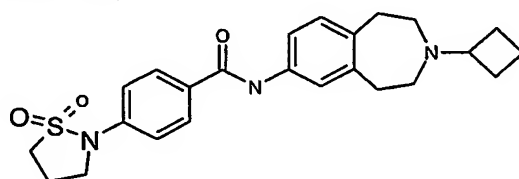
benzazepin-7-yl)-4-pyridazinecarboxamide (E51)	carboxylic acid	323 [M+H] ⁺ .
N-(3-Cyclobutyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1H-3-benzazepin-7-yl)-3-(5-pyrimidinyl)benzamide (E52)	3-(5-Pyrimidinyl)benzoic acid (D5)	MS (ES ⁺), m/e 399 [M+H] ⁺ .
N-(3-Cyclobutyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1H-3-benzazepin-7-yl)-3-(2-pyrazinyl)benzamide (E53)	3-(2-Pyrazinyl)benzoic acid (D6)	MS (ES ⁺), m/e 399 [M+H] ⁺ .
N-(3-Cyclobutyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1H-3-benzazepin-7-yl)-3-(4-pyrimidinyl)benzamide (E54)	3-(4-Pyrimidinyl)benzoic acid (D7)	MS (ES ⁺), m/e 399 [M+H] ⁺ .
N-(3-Cyclobutyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1H-3-benzazepin-7-yl)-4-(4-pyrimidinyl)benzamide (E55)	4-(4-Pyrimidinyl)benzoic acid (D8)	MS (ES ⁺), m/e 399 [M+H] ⁺ .
N-(3-Cyclobutyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1H-3-benzazepin-7-yl)-5-methyl-3-isoxazolecarboxamide (E56)	5-Methylisoxazole-3-carboxylic acid	MS (ES ⁺), m/e 326 [M +H] ⁺
6-Cyano-N-(3-cyclobutyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1H-3-benzazepin-7-yl)-3-pyridinecarboxamide (E57)	6-Cyanonicotinic acid	MS (ES ⁺), m/e 347 [M +H] ⁺
N-(3-Cyclobutyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1H-3-benzazepin-7-yl)-4-(1H-imidazol-1-yl)benzamide (E58)	4-(1H-Imidazol-1-yl)benzoic acid	MS (ES ⁺), m/e 387 [M +H] ⁺
N-(3-Cyclobutyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1H-3-benzazepin-7-yl)-2-pyrazinecarboxamide (E59)	2-Pyrazine carboxylic acid	MS (ES ⁺), m/e 323 [M +H] ⁺
N-(3-Cyclobutyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1H-3-benzazepin-7-yl)-2-methyl-3-pyridinecarboxamide (E60)	2-Methylnicotinic acid	MS (ES ⁺), m/e 336 [M +H] ⁺
N-(3-Cyclobutyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1H-3-benzazepin-7-yl)-3-methyl-2-pyridinecarboxamide (E61)	3-Methylpicolinic acid	MS (ES ⁺), m/e 336 [M +H] ⁺
N-(3-Cyclobutyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1H-3-benzazepin-7-yl)-3-thiophenecarboxamide (E62)	Thiophene-3-carboxylic acid	MS (ES ⁺), m/e 327 [M +H] ⁺
N-(3-Cyclobutyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1H-3-benzazepin-7-yl)-3-furancarboxamide (E63)	Furan-3-carboxylic acid	MS (ES ⁺), m/e 311 [M +H] ⁺
N-(3-Cyclobutyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1H-3-benzazepin-7-yl)-2-methyl-3-furancarboxamide (E64)	2-Methylfuran-3-carboxylic acid	MS (ES ⁺), m/e 325 [M +H] ⁺
N-(3-Cyclobutyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1H-3-	2,5-Dimethylfuran-	MS (ES ⁺), m/e

benzazepin-7-yl)-2,5-dimethyl-3-furancarboxamide (E65)	3-carboxylic acid	339 [M +H] ⁺
N-(3-Cyclobutyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1H-3-benzazepin-7-yl)-2-methyl-5-phenyl-3-furancarboxamide (E66)	2-Methyl-5-phenyl-3-furan carboxylic acid	MS (ES ⁺), m/e 401 [M +H] ⁺
N-(3-Cyclobutyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1H-3-benzazepin-7-yl)-1,2,3-thiadiazole-4-carboxamide (E67)	1,2,3-Thiadiazole-4-carboxylic acid	MS (ES ⁺), m/e 329 [M +H] ⁺
N-(3-Cyclobutyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1H-3-benzazepin-7-yl)-1,3-thiazole-4-carboxamide (E68)	1,3-Thiazole-4-carboxylic acid	MS (ES ⁺), m/e 328 [M +H] ⁺
N-(3-Cyclobutyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1H-3-benzazepin-7-yl)-5-methyl-2-phenyl-2H-1,2,3-triazole-4-carboxamide (E69)	5-Methyl-2-phenyl-2H-1,2,3-triazole-4-carboxylic acid	MS (ES ⁺), m/e 402 [M +H] ⁺
N-(3-Cyclobutyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1H-3-benzazepin-7-yl)-1-methyl-1H-imidazole-4-carboxamide (E70)	1-Methyl-1H-imidazole-4-carboxylic acid	MS (ES ⁺), m/e 325 [M +H] ⁺
N-(3-Cyclobutyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1H-3-benzazepin-7-yl)-1-methyl-1H-1,2,3-triazole-4-carboxamide (E71)	1-Methyl-1H-1,2,3-triazole-4-carboxylic acid (J. Org. Chem. 41(6), 1041-1051 (1976))	MS (ES ⁺), m/e 326 [M +H] ⁺
N-(3-Cyclobutyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1H-3-benzazepin-7-yl)-5-phenyl-1,3-oxazole-4-carboxamide (E72)	5-Phenyl-1,3-oxazole-4-carboxylic acid	MS (ES ⁺), m/e 388 [M +H] ⁺
N-(3-Cyclobutyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1H-3-benzazepin-7-yl)-2-phenyl-2H-1,2,3-triazole-4-carboxamide (E73)	2-Phenyl-2H-1,2,3-triazole-4-carboxylic acid	MS (ES ⁺), m/e 388 [M +H] ⁺
2-(2,1,3-Benzoxadiazol-5-yl)-N-(3-cyclobutyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1H-3-benzazepin-7-yl)-1,3-thiazole-4-carboxamide (E74)	2-(2,1,3-Benzoxadiazol-5-yl)-1,3-thiazole-4-carboxylic acid	MS (ES ⁺), m/e 446 [M +H] ⁺
N-(3-Cyclobutyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1H-3-benzazepin-7-yl)-1,5-dimethyl-1H-pyrazole-3-carboxamide (E75)	1,5-Dimethyl-1H-pyrazole-3-carboxylic acid	MS (ES ⁺), m/e 339 [M +H] ⁺
N-(3-Cyclobutyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1H-3-benzazepin-7-yl)-1,2,5-thiadiazole-3-carboxamide (E76)	1,2,5-Thiadiazole-3-carboxylic acid	MS (ES ⁺), m/e 329 [M +H] ⁺
N-(3-Cyclobutyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1H-3-benzazepin-7-yl)-6-(1H-1,2,4-triazol-1-yl)-3-pyridinecarboxamide (E77)	6-(1H-1,2,4-Triazol-1-yl)-3-pyridinecarboxylic acid	MS (ES ⁺), m/e 389 [M +H] ⁺

N-(3-Cyclobutyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1H-3-benzazepin-7-yl)-6-phenyl-3-pyridinecarboxamide (E78)	6-Phenyl-3-pyridinecarboxylic acid	MS (ES+), m/e 398 [M +H] ⁺
N-(3-Cyclobutyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1H-3-benzazepin-7-yl)-3,3'-bipyridine-5-carboxamide (E79)	3,3'-Bipyridine-5-carboxylic acid	MS (ES+), m/e 399 [M +H] ⁺
N-(3-Cyclobutyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1H-3-benzazepin-7-yl)-6-oxo-1,6-dihydro-3-pyridinecarboxamide (E80)	6-Hydroxynicotinic acid	MS (ES+), m/e 338 [M +H] ⁺
N-(3-Cyclobutyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1H-3-benzazepin-7-yl)-3-methyl-5-isoxazolecarboxamide (E81)	3-Methylisoxazole-4-carboxylic acid	MS (ES+), m/e 326 [M +H] ⁺
N-(3-Cyclobutyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1H-3-benzazepin-7-yl)-5-methyl-2-pyrazinecarboxamide (E82)	2-Methylpyrazine-5-carboxylic acid	MS (ES+), m/e 337 [M +H] ⁺
N-(3-Cyclobutyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1H-3-benzazepin-7-yl)-6-oxo-1,6-dihydro-2-pyridinecarboxamide (E83)	6-Hydroxypicolinic acid	MS (ES+), m/e 338 [M +H] ⁺
N-(3-Cyclobutyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1H-3-benzazepin-7-yl)-2,4-dimethyl-1,3-thiazole-5-carboxamide (E84)	2,4-Dimethylthiazole-5-carboxylic acid	MS (ES+), m/e 356 [M +H] ⁺
N-(3-Cyclobutyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1H-3-benzazepin-7-yl)-2-phenyl-1,3-thiazole-4-carboxamide (E85)	2-Phenyl-1,3-thiazole-4-carboxylic acid	MS (ES+), m/e 404 [M +H] ⁺

Example 86

***N*-(3-Cyclobutyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1H-3-benzazepin-7-yl)-4-(1,1-dioxido-2-isothiazolidinyl)benzamide (E86)**



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A mixture of *N*-(3-cyclobutyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1H-3-benzazepin-7-yl)-4-iodobenzamide (E11) (150mg, 0.34 mmol), potassium carbonate (169 mg, 1.22 mmol), copper (I) iodide (19 mg, 0.1 mmol), *N,N'*-dimethyl-1,2-ethanediamine (0.01 ml, 0.1 mmol) and isothiazolidine 1,1-dioxide (123 mg, 1.0 mmol) in dioxan (3 ml) was heated in a microwave reactor at 140 °C for 20 minutes. The mixture was diluted with methanol and purified on an SCX ion exchange cartridge eluting with methanol and then a 2M methanolic ammonia solution. The basic fractions were concentrated *in vacuo* and the residue purified by column chromatography eluting with a mixture of 2M methanolic ammonia solution and dichloromethane (3-97) to afford the title compound (E86) MS (ES+), m/e 440 [M+H]⁺.

Examples 87-90

Examples 87-90 (E87-E90) were synthesised from E11 substituting isothiazolidine 1, 1-dioxide with the appropriate nitrogen containing heterocycle as shown in the table:

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Example	Heterocycle	Mass Spectrum
<i>N</i> -(3-Cyclobutyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1 <i>H</i> -3-benzazepin-7-yl)-4-(2-oxo-1-pyrrolidinyl)benzamide (E87)	Pyrrolidinone	MS (ES+), m/e 404 [M+H] ⁺ .
<i>N</i> -(3-Cyclobutyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1 <i>H</i> -3-benzazepin-7-yl)-4-(2-oxo-1-imidazolidinyl)benzamide (E88)	2-Imidazolidinone	MS (ES+), m/e 405 [M+H] ⁺ .
<i>N</i> -(3-Cyclobutyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1 <i>H</i> -3-benzazepin-7-yl)-4-(1 <i>H</i> -pyrazol-1-yl)benzamide (E89)	1 <i>H</i> -Pyrazole	MS (ES+), m/e 387 [M+H] ⁺ .
<i>N</i> -(3-Cyclobutyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1 <i>H</i> -3-benzazepin-7-yl)-4-(1 <i>H</i> -1,2,4-triazol-1-yl)benzamide (E90)	1 <i>H</i> -1,2,4-Triazole	MS (ES+), m/e 388 [M+H] ⁺ .

Examples 91-93

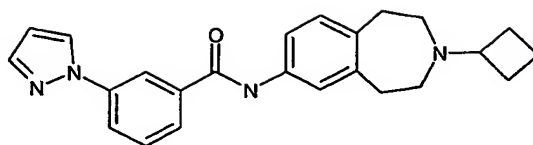
Examples 91-93 (E91-E93) were synthesised from *N*-(3-cyclobutyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1*H*-3-benzazepin-7-yl)-3-iodobenzamide (D9) using the method of Example 86 substituting isothiazolidine 1,1-dioxide with the appropriate nitrogen containing heterocycle as shown in the table:

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Example	Heterocycle	Mass Spectrum
<i>N</i> -(3-Cyclobutyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1 <i>H</i> -3-benzazepin-7-yl)-3-(2-oxo-1-pyrrolidinyl)benzamide (E91)	Pyrrolidinone	MS (ES+), m/e 404 [M+H] ⁺ .
<i>N</i> -(3-Cyclobutyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1 <i>H</i> -3-benzazepin-7-yl)-3-(1,1-dioxido-2-isothiazolidinyl)benzamide (E92)	Isothiazolidine 1,1-dioxide (<i>J. Org. Chem</i> , 1961, 26, 4841)	MS (ES+), m/e 440 [M+H] ⁺ .
<i>N</i> -(3-Cyclobutyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1 <i>H</i> -3-benzazepin-7-yl)-3-(2-oxo-1-imidazolidinyl)benzamide (E93)	2-Imidazolidinone	MS (ES+), m/e 405 [M+H] ⁺ .

Example 94

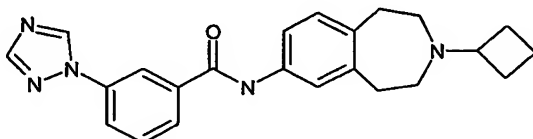
15 *N*-(3-Cyclobutyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1*H*-3-benzazepin-7-yl)-3-(1*H*-pyrazol-1-yl)benzamide (E94)



A mixture of *N*-(3-cyclobutyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1*H*-3-benzazepin-7-yl)-3-iodobenzamide (D9) (150 mg, 0.34 mmol), potassium phosphate (259 mg, 1.22 mmol), copper (I) iodide (19 mg, 0.1 mmol), trans-1,2-cyclohexanediamine (0.01 ml, 0.1 mmol) and 1*H*-pyrazole (46 mg, 0.68 mmol) in 1,4-dioxane (3 ml) was heated in a microwave reactor at 140 °C for 20 minutes. The mixture was diluted with methanol and purified on an SCX ion exchange cartridge eluting with methanol and then a 2M methanolic ammonia solution. The basic fractions were concentrated *in vacuo* and the residue purified by column chromatography eluting with a mixture of 2M methanolic ammonia solution and dichloromethane (5-95) to afford the title compound (E94) MS (ES⁺), *m/e* 387 [M+H]⁺.

Example 95

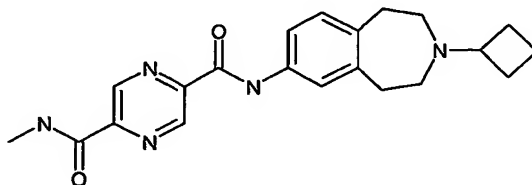
***N*-(3-Cyclobutyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1*H*-3-benzazepin-7-yl)-3-(1*H*-1,2,4-triazol-1-yl)benzamide (E95)**



A mixture of *N*-(3-cyclobutyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1*H*-3-benzazepin-7-yl)-3-iodobenzamide (D9) (150 mg, 0.34 mmol), potassium carbonate (94 mg, 0.68 mmol), copper (I) iodide (7 mg, 0.03 mmol) and 1*H*-1,2,4-triazole (47 mg, 0.68 mmol) in *N*-methyl-2-pyrrolidone (3 ml) was heated in a microwave reactor at 190 °C for 2 hours. The mixture was diluted with methanol and purified on an SCX ion exchange cartridge eluting with methanol and then a 2M methanolic ammonia solution. The basic fractions were concentrated *in vacuo* and the residue purified by column chromatography eluting with a mixture of 2M methanolic ammonia solution and dichloromethane (5-95) to afford the title compound (E95) MS (ES⁺), *m/e* 388 [M+H]⁺.

Example 96

***N*-(3-Cyclobutyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1*H*-3-benzazepin-7-yl)-*N'*-methyl-2,5-pyrazinedicarboxamide (E96)**

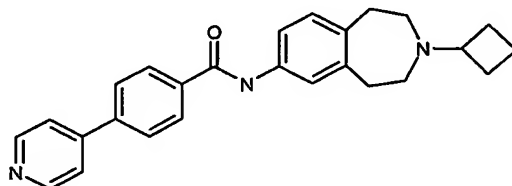


5-[[[3-Cyclobutyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1*H*-3-benzazepin-7-yl)amino]carbonyl]-2-pyrazinecarboxylic acid (D10) (118 mg, 0.31 mmol) was dissolved in *N,N*-dimethylformamide (4 ml), treated with *N,N'*-carbonyldiimidazole (151 mg, 0.93 mmol) and

stirred for 5 hours at room temperature. Methylamine (2M solution in tetrahydrofuran) (0.93 ml, 1.86 mmol) was added and the mixture stirred for 18 hours. The solvent was evaporated *in vacuo* and the residue purified by column chromatography eluting with a mixture of 2M methanolic ammonia solution and dichloromethane (5-95) to afford the title compound (E96) MS (ES+), m/e 380 [M+H]⁺.

Example 97

***N*-(3-Cyclobutyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1*H*-3-benzazepin-7-yl)-4-(4-pyridinyl)benzamide (E97)**



A mixture of *N*-(3-cyclobutyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1*H*-3-benzazepin-7-yl)-4-iodobenzamide (E11) (200 mg, 0.45 mmol), 4-pyridinylboronic acid (59 mg, 0.49 mmol) and 2M sodium carbonate solution (6 ml) in 1,2-bis(methyloxy)ethane (6 ml) was heated at 80 °C for 18 hours. The mixture was extracted with diethyl ether and the extracts dried and concentrated *in vacuo*. The residue was purified by column chromatography eluting with a mixture of 2M methanolic ammonia solution and dichloromethane (1-9) to afford the title compound (E97) MS (ES+), m/e 398 [M+H]⁺.

Examples 98-101

Examples 98-101 (E98-E101) were synthesised from 6-chloro-*N*-(3-cyclobutyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1*H*-3-benzazepin-7-yl)-3-pyridinecarboxamide (D11) in the same manner as E97 substituting 4-pyridinylboronic acid with the boronic acids shown in the table:

Example	Boronic Acid	Mass Spectrum
6-(4-Cyanophenyl)- <i>N</i> -(3-cyclobutyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1 <i>H</i> -3-benzazepin-7-yl)-3-pyridinecarboxamide (E98)	(4-Cyanophenyl) boronic acid	MS (ES+), m/e 423 [M+H] ⁺ .
<i>N</i> -(3-Cyclobutyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1 <i>H</i> -3-benzazepin-7-yl)-2,3'-bipyridine-5-carboxamide (E99)	3-Pyridinylboronic acid	MS (ES+), m/e 399 [M+H] ⁺ .
<i>N</i> -(3-Cyclobutyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1 <i>H</i> -3-benzazepin-7-yl)-6-(5-pyrimidinyl)-3-pyridinecarboxamide (E100)	5-Pyrimidinyl boronic acid	MS (ES+), m/e 400 [M+H] ⁺ .
6-(3-Cyanophenyl)- <i>N</i> -(3-cyclobutyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1 <i>H</i> -3-benzazepin-7-yl)-3-pyridinecarboxamide (E101)	3-Cyanophenyl boronic acid	MS (ES+), m/e 423 [M+H] ⁺ .

Example 102**N-(3-Cyclobutyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1H-3-benzazepin-7-yl)-5-(4-fluorophenyl)-2-pyridinecarboxamide (E102)**

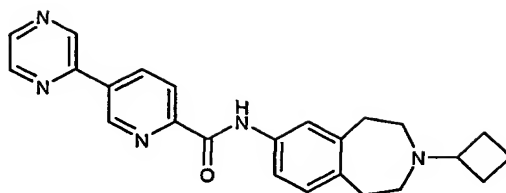
5-bromo-N-(3-cyclobutyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1H-3-benzazepin-7-yl)-2-pyridinecarboxamide (D12) (178mg, 0.44mmol), 4-(fluorophenyl)boronic acid (92mg, 0.66mmol), tetrakis(triphenylphosphine) palladium (0) 15mg, 0.013mmol, sodium carbonate (2N, 0.5ml) and 1,2-dimethoxyethane/water/ethanol 7:3:1 (5ml)) were heated in a microwave reactor at 160°C for 600 seconds at 200W. The mixture was applied to a SCX ion exchange cartridge (Varian bond-elute; 10g), washed with methanol and then with a mixture of .880 ammonia: methanol (1: 9). The combined basic fractions were concentrated *in vacuo* and the resulting residue purified by column chromatography eluting with a mixture of 10% .880 ammonia in methanol: dichloromethane (0 to 5%) to afford the title product (E102); MS (ES+) m/e 416 [M+H]⁺.

Examples 103-105

Examples 103-105 (E103-E105) were prepared from the appropriate boronic acid, as shown in the table, with 5-bromo-N-(3-cyclobutyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1H-3-benzazepin-7-yl)-2-pyridinecarboxamide (D12) using an analogous method to that described for Example E102

Example	Boronate	Heating time	LC/MS
5-(4-Cyanophenyl)-N-(3-cyclobutyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1H-3-benzazepin-7-yl)-2-pyridinecarboxamide (E103)	(4-Cyanophenyl) boronic acid	600 secs	MS (ES+), m/e 423 [M+H] ⁺ .
6'-Cyano-N-(3-cyclobutyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1H-3-benzazepin-7-yl)-3,3'-bipyridine-6-carboxamide (E104)	5-(4,4,5,5-Tetramethyl-1,3,2-dioxaborolan-2-yl)-2-pyridinecarbonitrile	900 mins	MS (ES+), m/e 424 [M+H] ⁺ .
N-(3-Cyclobutyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1H-3-benzazepin-7-yl)-5-(5-pyrimidinyl)-2-pyridinecarboxamide (E105)	5-Pyrimidinyl boronic acid	900	MS (ES+), m/e 400 [M+H] ⁺ .

Example 106**N-(3-Cyclobutyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1H-3-benzazepin-7-yl)-5-(2-pyrazinyl)-2-pyridinecarboxamide (E106)**



5-Bromo-*N*-(3-cyclobutyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1*H*-3-benzazepin-7-yl)-2-pyridinecarboxamide (D12) (268mg, 0.67mmol), 2-(tributylstannanyl)pyrazine (741mg, 2.0mmol), tetrakis(triphenylphosphine) palladium (0) (7 mg, 0.02 mmol), in toluene (15ml)) was heated at 110°C for 4h. The cooled mixture was purified by column chromatography eluting with a mixture of 10% .880 ammonia in methanol: dichloromethane (1 to 10%) to afford the title product (E106); MS (ES+) *m/e* 400 [M+H]⁺.

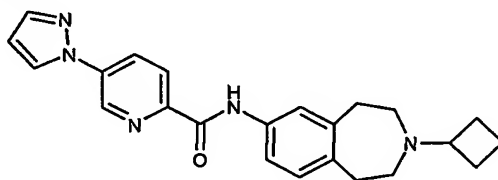
Example 107 (E107)

Example 107 was prepared from the appropriate stannane with 5-bromo-*N*-(3-cyclobutyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1*H*-3-benzazepin-7-yl)-2-pyridinecarboxamide (D12) using an analogous method to that described for Example 106:

Example	Stannane	Heating time	LC/MS
<i>N</i> -(3-Cyclobutyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1 <i>H</i> -3-benzazepin-7-yl)-2,3'-bipyridine-6'-carboxamide (E107)	2-(Tributylstannanyl) pyridine	48h	MS (ES+), <i>m/e</i> 399 [M+H] ⁺ .

Example 108

N-(3-Cyclobutyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1*H*-3-benzazepin-7-yl)-5-(1*H*-pyrazol-1-yl)-2-pyridinecarboxamide (E108)



5-Bromo-*N*-(3-cyclobutyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1*H*-3-benzazepin-7-yl)-2-pyridinecarboxamide (D12) (200mg, 0.49mmol), 1*H*-pyrazole (68mg, 1.23mmol), copper (1) iodide (19mg, 0.025mmol), sodium carbonate (138mg, 0.69mmol) and *N*-methylpyrrolidine (5ml)) were heated in a microwave reactor at 190°C for 60 minutes at 200W. The cooled mixture was diluted with methanol (5ml), acidified with glacial acetic acid then applied to a SCX ion exchange cartridge (Varian bond-elute, 10g), washed with methanol and then with a mixture of .880 ammonia: methanol (1: 9). The combined basic fractions were concentrated *in vacuo* and the resulting residue purified by column chromatography eluting with a mixture of 10% .880 ammonia in methanol: dichloromethane (0 to 10%) to afford the title product (E108); MS (ES+) *m/e* 388 [M+H]⁺.

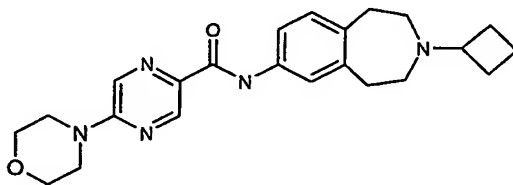
Examples 109-110

Examples 109-110 (E109-E110) were prepared from the appropriate amine with 5-bromo-*N*-(3-cyclobutyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1*H*-3-benzazepin-7-yl)-2-pyridinecarboxamide (D12) using an analogous method to that described for Example E108:

Example	Heterocycle	Mass Spectrum
<i>N</i> -(3-Cyclobutyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1 <i>H</i> -3-benzazepin-7-yl)-5-(1 <i>H</i> -imidazol-1-yl)-2-pyridinecarboxamide (E109)	1 <i>H</i> -Imidazole	MS (ES+), m/e 388 [M+H] ⁺ .
<i>N</i> -(3-Cyclobutyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1 <i>H</i> -3-benzazepin-7-yl)-5-(1 <i>H</i> -1,2,4-triazol-1-yl)-2-pyridinecarboxamide (E110)	1 <i>H</i> -1,2,4-Triazole	MS (ES+), m/e 389 [M+H] ⁺ .

Example 111

N-(3-Cyclobutyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1*H*-3-benzazepin-7-yl)-5-(4-morpholinyl)-2-pyrazinecarboxamide (E111)



A mixture of 5-chloro-*N*-(3-cyclobutyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1*H*-3-benzazepin-7-yl)-2-pyrazinecarboxamide (D13) (200 mg, 0.56 mmol) and morpholine (0.2 ml, 2.24 mmol) in tetrahydrofuran (6 ml) was heated at reflux for 3 hours. The mixture was concentrated *in vacuo* and the residue purified by column chromatography eluting with a mixture of 2M methanolic ammonia in dichloromethane (5-95) to afford the title compound (E111) MS (ES+), m/e 408 [M+H]⁺

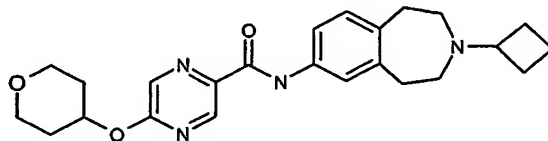
Examples 112-113

Examples E112-E113 (E112-E113) were synthesised in the same manner as E111 from D13 substituting the appropriate amine for morpholine as shown in the table:

Example	Amine	Mass Spectrum
<i>N</i> -(3-Cyclobutyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1 <i>H</i> -3-benzazepin-7-yl)-5-(1-pyrrolidinyl)-2-pyrazinecarboxamide (E112)	Pyrrolidine	MS (ES+), m/e 392 [M+H] ⁺ .
<i>N</i> -(3-Cyclobutyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1 <i>H</i> -3-benzazepin-7-yl)-5-(1-piperidinyl)-2-pyrazinecarboxamide (E113)	Piperidine	MS (ES+), m/e 406 [M+H] ⁺ .

Example 114

***N*-(3-Cyclobutyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1*H*-3-benzazepin-7-yl)-5-(tetrahydro-2*H*-pyran-4-yloxy)-2-pyrazinecarboxamide (E114)**



Sodium hydride (56 mg of 60% dispersion in oil, 1.4 mmol) was added to a solution of tetrahydro-2*H*-pyran-4-ol (146 mg, 1.04 mmol) in 1,2-bis(methyloxy)ethane (4 ml) and the mixture stirred for 30 minutes. 5-Chloro-*N*-(3-cyclobutyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1*H*-3-benzazepin-7-yl)-2-pyrazinecarboxamide (D13) (100 mg, 0.28 mmol) was added and the mixture heated at 60 °C for 18 hours. The mixture was concentrated *in vacuo* and the residue purified on an SCX ion exchange cartridge eluting with methanol and then a 2M methanolic ammonia solution. The basic fractions were concentrated *in vacuo* and the residue purified by column chromatography eluting with a mixture of 2M methanolic ammonia solution and dichloromethane (3-97) to afford the title compound (E114) MS (ES⁺), *m/e* 423 [M+H]⁺.

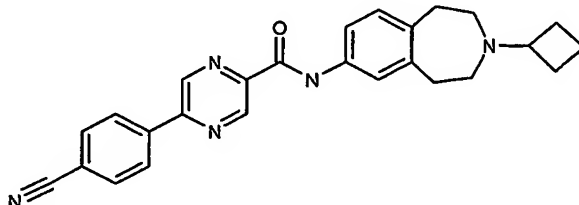
Example 115

Example 115 (E115) was prepared in the same manner as Example 114 (E114) substituting phenol for tetrahydro-2*H*-pyran-4-ol:

Example	Alcohol	Mass Spectrum
<i>N</i> -(3-Cyclobutyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1 <i>H</i> -3-benzazepin-7-yl)-5-(phenyloxy)-2-pyrazinecarboxamide (E115)	Phenol	MS (ES ⁺), <i>m/e</i> 415 [M+H] ⁺ .

Example 116

5-(4-Cyanophenyl)-*N*-(3-cyclobutyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1*H*-3-benzazepin-7-yl)-2-pyrazinecarboxamide (E116)



A mixture of tetrakis(triphenylphosphino)palladium (0) (32 mg, 0.03 mmol), 5-chloro-*N*-(3-cyclobutyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1*H*-3-benzazepin-7-yl)-2-pyrazinecarboxamide (D13) (100 mg, 0.28 mmol) and 4-cyanophenyl boronic acid (123 mg, 0.84 mmol) in 1,2-bis(methyloxy)ethane (4 ml) and 1M sodium carbonate solution (1 ml) was heated at reflux for 3 hours. The mixture was concentrated *in vacuo* and the residue purified on an SCX ion

exchange cartridge eluting with methanol and then a 2M methanolic ammonia solution. The basic fractions were concentrated *in vacuo* and the residue purified by column chromatography eluting with a mixture of 2M methanolic ammonia solution and dichloromethane (3-97) to afford the title compound (E116), NMR (CDCl₃) δ 9.58 (2H, m), 9.04 (H, s), 8.24 (2H, m), 7.85 (2H, m), 7.56-7.50 (2H, m), 7.14 (H, m), 2.94 (4H, m), 2.79 (H, m), 2.47 (4H, m), 2.10 (2H, m), 1.92 (2H, m), 1.75-1.61 (2H, m)

Example 117

Example 117 (E117) was prepared in the same manner as Example 116 (E116) substituting the appropriate boronic acid for 4-cyanophenyl boronic acid as shown in the table:

Example	Boronic Acid	Mass Spectrum
5-(3-Cyanophenyl)-N-(3-cyclobutyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1H-3-benzazepin-7-yl)-2-pyrazinecarboxamide (E117)	3-Cyanophenyl boronic acid	MS (ES+), m/e 424 [M+H] ⁺ .

Example 118

N-(3-Cyclobutyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1H-3-benzazepin-7-yl)-4-pyridinecarboxamide (E118)

N-(2,3,4,5-Tetrahydro-1H-3-benzazepin-7-yl)-4-pyridinecarboxamide (D15) (0.32g, 1.2mmole) in methanol (20ml) and acetic acid (0.2ml) was treated with (polystyrylmethyl)trimethylammonium cyanoborohydride (4.1mmole/g) (0.58g, 2.4mmole) and stirred overnight at room temperature. The residue was poured onto an SCX column and eluted with methanol followed by 2M ammonia/methanol. The basic fractions were combined and concentrated *in vacuo*. The residue was purified by column chromatography eluting with dichloromethane/(2M ammonia/methanol) (19:1) to afford the title compound (E118); MS (ES+), m/e 322 [M +H]⁺

Examples 119-120

Examples 119-120 (E119-E120) were synthesised in the same manner as Example 118 from an analogue of D15 obtained by substituting 4-pyridinecarbonyl chloride hydrochloride in D14 with the appropriate acid chloride as shown in the table:

Example	Acid chloride	Mass Spectrum
N-(3-Cyclobutyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1H-3-benzazepin-7-yl)-4-biphenylcarboxamide (E119)	4-Biphenyl carbonyl chloride	MS (ES+), m/e 397 [M +H] ⁺
3-Cyano-N-(3-cyclobutyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1H-3-benzazepin-7-yl)benzamide (E120)	3-Cyanobenzoyl chloride	MS (ES+), m/e 346 [M +H] ⁺

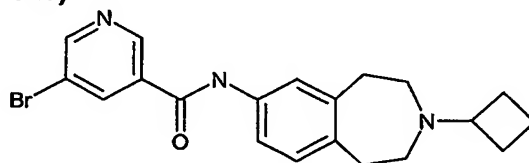
Example 121**N-(3-Cyclobutyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1H-3-benzazepin-7-yl)-1,3-dimethyl-1H-pyrazole-5-carboxamide (E121)**

- 5 3-Cyclobutyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1H-3-benzazepin-7-amine D2 (0.25g, 1.2mmole) in dichloromethane (10ml) was treated with diethylaminomethyl-polystyrene (3.2mmole/g) (1.09g, 3.5mmole) and 1,3-dimethylpyrazole-5-carbonyl chloride (0.22g, 1.4mmole) and stirred at room temperature for 4 hours. The resulting slurry was diluted with methanol, poured onto an SCX column and eluted with methanol followed by 2M ammonia/methanol.
- 10 The basic fractions were combined and concentrated *in vacuo*. The residue was purified by column chromatography eluting with dichloromethane/ (2M ammonia/methanol) (32:1) to afford the title compound (E121); MS (ES⁺), m/e 339 [M + H]⁺

Example 122

- 15 Example 122 (E122) was synthesised in the same manner as Example 121 substituting 1,3-dimethylpyrazole-5-carbonyl chloride with 3,5-dimethylisoxazole-4-carbonyl chloride as shown in the table:

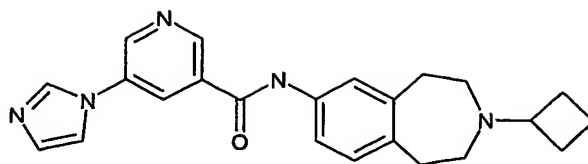
Example	Acid Chloride	Mass Spectrum
N-(3-Cyclobutyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1H-3-benzazepin-7-yl)-3,5-dimethyl-4-isoxazolecarboxamide (E122)	3,5-Dimethylisoxazole-4-carbonyl chloride	MS (ES ⁺), m/e 340 [M + H] ⁺

Example 123**5-Bromo-N-(3-cyclobutyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1H-3-benzazepin-7-yl)-3-pyridinecarboxamide (E123)**

- 20 The title compound was prepared from 5-bromonicotinic acid and 3-cyclobutyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1H-3-benzazepin-7-amine (D2) using the method as described in Example 8
- 25 (E8); MS (ES⁺), m/e 400/402 [M + H]⁺

Example 124**N-(3-Cyclobutyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1H-3-benzazepin-7-yl)-5-(1H-imidazol-1-yl)-3-pyridinecarboxamide (E124)**

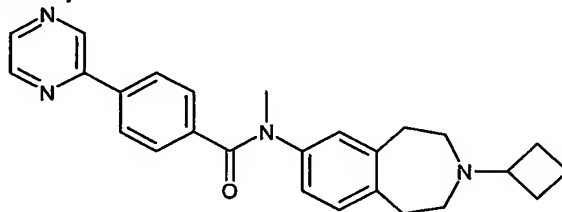
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5-Bromo-N-(3-cyclobutyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1H-3-benzazepin-7-yl)-3-pyridinecarboxamide (E123) (0.20g, 0.5mmole), imidazole (0.068g, 1.0mmole), copper (I) iodide (0.019g, 0.1mmole) and potassium carbonate (0.14g, 1.0mmole) in n-methyl-2-pyrrolidone were heated together in a microwave reactor at 190°C and high absorption for 2.5 hours. The reaction mixture was diluted with methanol and passed down an SCX column eluting with methanol followed by 2M ammonia/ methanol. The basic fractions were combined and concentrated *in vacuo*. The residue was purified by column chromatography eluting with dichloromethane/ (2M ammonia/ methanol) (9:1) to afford the title compound (E124); MS (ES⁺), m/e 388 [M + H]⁺

Example 125

N-(3-Cyclobutyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1H-3-benzazepin-7-yl)-N-methyl-4-(2-pyrazinyl)benzamide (E125)



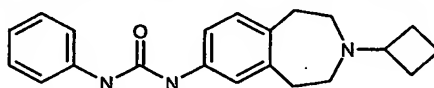
Sodium hydride (60%; 11mg, 0.27mmol) was added to a solution of N-(3-cyclobutyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1H-3-benzazepin-7-yl)-4-(2-pyrazinyl)benzamide (E46, 66mg, 0.17mmol) in DMF (5ml). The mixture was stirred for 5 mins then methyl iodide (56mg, 0.36mmol) was added and the mixture stirred for 3h at room temperature. The reaction mixture was quenched with ammonia (0.880; 1ml) and the solvent was then evaporated. The mixture was dissolved in methanol (3ml) containing acetic acid (0.5ml) then applied to a SCX ion exchange cartridge (Varian bond-elute, 10g) and washed with methanol and then with a mixture of .880 ammonia: methanol (1: 9). The combined basic fractions were concentrated *in vacuo* to afford the title product (E125); MS (ES⁺) m/e 413 [M+H]⁺.

Examples 126-128

Examples 126-128 (E126-E128) were prepared from the appropriate secondary amide with methyl iodide using an analogous method to that described for Example 125 (see table)

Example	Starting material	LC/MS (M+H ⁺)
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N-(3-Cyclobutyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1H-3-benzazepin-7-yl)-N-methyl-4-(2-pyridinyl)benzamide (E126)	N-(3-Cyclobutyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1H-3-benzazepin-7-yl)-4-(2-pyridinyl)benzamide (E8)	MS (ES+), m/e 412 [M+H] ⁺ .
N-(3-Cyclobutyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1H-3-benzazepin-7-yl)-N-methyl-4-(5-pyrimidinyl)benzamide (E127)	N-(3-Cyclobutyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1H-3-benzazepin-7-yl)-4-(5-pyrimidinyl)benzamide (E29)	MS (ES+), m/e 413 [M+H] ⁺ .
N-(3-Cyclobutyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1H-3-benzazepin-7-yl)-N,6-dimethyl-3-pyridinecarboxamide (E128)	N-(3-Cyclobutyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1H-3-benzazepin-7-yl)-6-methyl-3-pyridinecarboxamide (E46)	MS (ES+), m/e 350 [M+H] ⁺ .

Example 129**N-(3-Cyclobutyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1H-3-benzazepin-7-yl)-N'-phenylurea (E129)**

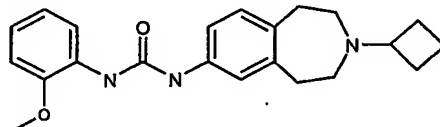
- 5 Phenyl isocyanate (92 mg, 0.77 mmol) was added to a solution of 3-cyclobutyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1H-3-benzazepin-7-amine (D2, 150 mg, 0.70 mmol) in dichloromethane (3 ml) and the mixture stirred for 2 hours. The mixture was diluted with methanol and purified on an SCX ion exchange cartridge eluting with methanol and then a 2M methanolic ammonia solution. The basic fractions were concentrated *in vacuo* and the residue purified by column
- 10 chromatography eluting with a mixture of 2M methanolic ammonia solution and dichloromethane (3-97) to afford the title compound (E129), MS (ES+), m/e 336 [M+H]⁺.

Examples 130-133

- 15 Examples 130-133 (E130-E133) were prepared in the same manner as E129 from 3-cyclobutyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1H-3-benzazepin-7-amine (D2), substituting phenyl isocyanate with the isocyanates shown in the table:

Example	Isocyanate	Mass Spectrum
N-(4-Cyanophenyl)-N'-(3-cyclobutyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1H-3-benzazepin-7-yl)urea (E130)	4-Isocyanatobenzonitrile	MS (ES+), m/e 361 [M+H] ⁺ .
N-1,3-Benzodioxol-5-yl-N'-(3-cyclobutyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1H-3-benzazepin-7-yl)urea (E131)	5-Isocyanato-1,3-benzodioxole	MS (ES+), m/e 380 [M+H] ⁺ .
N-(3-Cyclobutyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1H-3-	Isocyanato	MS (ES+), m/e

benzazepin-7-yl)-N'-cyclohexylurea (E132)	cyclohexane	342 [M+H] ⁺ .
N-(3-Cyclobutyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1H-3-benzazepin-7-yl)-N'-(1-methylethyl)urea (E133)	2-Isocyanato propane	MS (ES ⁺), m/e 302 [M+H] ⁺ .

Example 134**N-(3-Cyclobutyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1H-3-benzazepin-7-yl)-N'-[2-(methyloxy)phenyl]urea (E134)**

A solution of 3-cyclobutyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1H-3-benzazepin-7-amine (D2, 100 mg, 0.46 mmol) in dichloromethane (3 ml) was added slowly to a 2M solution of phosgene in toluene (0.6 ml, 1.2 mmol) and the mixture stirred for 2 hours. The solvent was removed *in vacuo* and the residue dissolved in dichloromethane (3 ml). This solution was treated with triethylamine (0.06 ml, 0.46 mmol) and then 2-(methyloxy) aniline (113 mg, 0.92 mmol) and stirred for 2 hours. The mixture was diluted with methanol and purified on an SCX ion exchange cartridge eluting with methanol and then a 2M methanolic ammonia solution. The basic fractions were concentrated *in vacuo* and the residue purified by column chromatography eluting with a mixture of 2M methanolic ammonia solution and dichloromethane (3-97) to afford the title compound (E134), MS (ES⁺), m/e 366 [M+H]⁺.

Examples 135-175

Examples 135-175 (E135-E175) were prepared in the same manner as E134, substituting 2-(methyloxy) aniline with the amines shown in the table:

Example	Amine	Mass Spectrum
N-(3-Cyclobutyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1H-3-benzazepin-7-yl)-N'-8-quinolinylurea (E135)	8-Quinolinamine	MS (ES ⁺), m/e 387 [M+H] ⁺ .
N-(3-Cyclobutyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1H-3-benzazepin-7-yl)-N'-(2,2-difluoro-1,3-benzodioxol-4-yl)urea (E136)	(2,2-Difluoro-1,3-benzodioxol-4-yl)amine	MS (ES ⁺), m/e 416 [M+H] ⁺ .
N-(3-Cyclobutyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1H-3-benzazepin-7-yl)-N'-3-pyridinylurea (E137)	3-Pyridinamine	MS (ES ⁺), m/e 337 [M+H] ⁺ .
N-(3-Cyclobutyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1H-3-benzazepin-7-yl)-N'-4-pyridinylurea (E138)	4-Pyridinamine	MS (ES ⁺), m/e 337 [M+H] ⁺ .
N-(3-Cyclobutyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1H-3-benzazepin-7-yl)-N'-[2-(ethyloxy)phenyl]urea (E139)	1-(Ethyloxy)-2-methylbenzene	MS (ES ⁺), m/e 380 [M+H] ⁺ .

<i>N</i> -(3-Cyclobutyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1 <i>H</i> -3-benzazepin-7-yl)- <i>N'</i> -{2-[(trifluoromethyl)oxy]phenyl}urea (E140)	2-[(Trifluoromethyl)oxy]aniline	MS (ES+), m/e 420 [M+H] ⁺ .
<i>N</i> -(3-Cyclobutyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1 <i>H</i> -3-benzazepin-7-yl)- <i>N'</i> -[2-methyl-6-(methyloxy)phenyl]urea (E141)	2-Methyl-6-(methyloxy)aniline	MS (ES+), m/e 380 [M+H] ⁺ .
<i>N</i> -(3-Cyanophenyl)- <i>N'</i> -(3-cyclobutyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1 <i>H</i> -3-benzazepin-7-yl)urea (E142)	3-Amino benzonitrile	MS (ES+), m/e 361 [M+H] ⁺ .
<i>N</i> -[5-Chloro-2-(methyloxy)phenyl]- <i>N'</i> -(3-cyclobutyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1 <i>H</i> -3-benzazepin-7-yl)urea (E143)	5-Chloro-2-(methyloxy)aniline	MS (ES+), m/e 400 [M+H] ⁺ .
<i>N</i> -(3-Cyclobutyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1 <i>H</i> -3-benzazepin-7-yl)-4-pyrazin-2-ylpiperazine-1-carboxamide (E144)	2-Piperazin-1-ylpyrazine	MS (ES+), m/e 407 [M+H] ⁺ .
4-(5-Cyanopyridin-2-yl)- <i>N</i> -(3-cyclobutyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1 <i>H</i> -3-benzazepin-7-yl)piperazine-1-carboxamide (E145)	6-Piperazin-1-ylnicotinonitrile	MS (ES+), m/e 431 [M+H] ⁺ .
5-Chloro- <i>N</i> -(3-cyclobutyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1 <i>H</i> -3-benzazepin-7-yl)indoline-1-carboxamide (E146)	5-Chloroindoline	MS (ES+), m/e 396 & 398 [M+H] ⁺ .
<i>N</i> -(3-Cyclobutyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1 <i>H</i> -3-benzazepin-7-yl)-2,3-dihydro-1 <i>H</i> -indole-1-carboxamide (E147)	2,3-Dihydro-1 <i>H</i> -indole	MS (ES+), m/e 362 [M+H] ⁺ .
<i>N</i> -(3-Cyclobutyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1 <i>H</i> -3-benzazepin-7-yl)-3,4-dihydro-1(2 <i>H</i>)-quinolinecarboxamide (E148)	1,2,3,4-Tetrahydroquinoline	MS (ES+), m/e 376 [M+H] ⁺ .
<i>N</i> -(3-Cyclobutyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1 <i>H</i> -3-benzazepin-7-yl)-1,3-dihydro-2 <i>H</i> -isoindole-2-carboxamide (E149)	2,3-Dihydro-1 <i>H</i> -isoindole	MS (ES+), m/e 362 [M+H] ⁺ .
<i>N</i> -(3-Cyclobutyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1 <i>H</i> -3-benzazepin-7-yl)-3,4-dihydro-2(1 <i>H</i>)-isoquinolinecarboxamide (E150)	1,2,3,4-Tetrahydroisoquinoline	MS (ES+), m/e 376 [M+H] ⁺ .
<i>N</i> -(3-Cyclobutyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1 <i>H</i> -3-benzazepin-7-yl)-4-phenyl-1-piperidinecarboxamide (E151)	4-Phenylpiperidine	MS (ES+), m/e 404 [M+H] ⁺ .
4-[(4-Cyanophenyl)oxy]- <i>N</i> -(3-cyclobutyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1 <i>H</i> -3-benzazepin-7-yl)-1-piperidinecarboxamide (E152)	4-(4-Piperidinyloxy) benzonitrile (WO 2002/012190)	MS (ES+), m/e 445 [M+H] ⁺ .
<i>N</i> -(3-Cyclobutyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1 <i>H</i> -3-benzazepin-7-yl)-4-(2-pyridinyl)-1-	2-(4-Piperidinyl) pyridine	MS (ES+), m/e 405 [M+H] ⁺ .

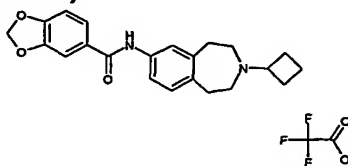
piperidinecarboxamide (E153)	(<i>Tetrahedron Lett</i> , 1993, 34, 33, 5287)	
<i>N</i> -(3-Cyclobutyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1 <i>H</i> -3-benzazepin-7-yl)-4-(4-pyridinyl)-1-piperidinecarboxamide (E154)	4-(4-Piperidinyl) pyridine (<i>Bioorg. Med. Chem. Lett</i> , 2001, 11, 16, 2213)	MS (ES+), m/e 405 [M+H] ⁺ .
<i>N</i> -(3-Cyclobutyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1 <i>H</i> -3-benzazepin-7-yl)-4-phenyl-1-piperazinecarboxamide (E155)	1-Phenylpiperazine	MS (ES+), m/e 405 [M+H] ⁺ .
4-(4-Cyanophenyl)- <i>N</i> -(3-cyclobutyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1 <i>H</i> -3-benzazepin-7-yl)-1-piperazinecarboxamide (E156)	4-(1-Piperazinyl) benzonitrile	MS (ES+), m/e 430 [M+H] ⁺ .
<i>N</i> -(3-Cyclobutyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1 <i>H</i> -3-benzazepin-7-yl)-1-piperidinecarboxamide (E157)	Piperidine	MS (ES+), m/e 328 [M+H] ⁺ .
<i>N</i> -(3-Cyclobutyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1 <i>H</i> -3-benzazepin-7-yl)-1-pyrrolidinecarboxamide (E158)	Pyrrolidine	MS (ES+), m/e 314 [M+H] ⁺ .
<i>N</i> -(3-Cyclobutyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1 <i>H</i> -3-benzazepin-7-yl)-5-fluoro-2,3-dihydro-1 <i>H</i> -indole-1-carboxamide (E159)	5-Fluoro-2,3-dihydro-1 <i>H</i> -indole	MS (ES+), m/e 380 [M+H] ⁺ .
<i>N</i> -(3-Cyclobutyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1 <i>H</i> -3-benzazepin-7-yl)-4-(4-fluorophenyl)-1-piperidinecarboxamide (E160)	4-(4-Fluorophenyl) piperidine	MS (ES+), m/e 422 [M+H] ⁺ .
<i>N</i> -(3-Cyclobutyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1 <i>H</i> -3-benzazepin-7-yl)-2-phenyl-1-pyrrolidinecarboxamide (E161)	2-Phenylpyrrolidine	MS (ES+), m/e 390 [M+H] ⁺ .
5-Cyano- <i>N</i> -(3-cyclobutyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1 <i>H</i> -3-benzazepin-7-yl)-2,3-dihydro-1 <i>H</i> -indole-1-carboxamide (E162)	2,3-Dihydro-1 <i>H</i> -indole-5-carbonitrile (<i>Tetrahedron</i> , 1967, 23, 3823)	MS (ES+), m/e 387 [M+H] ⁺ .
4-(4-Cyanophenyl)- <i>N</i> -(3-cyclobutyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1 <i>H</i> -3-benzazepin-7-yl)-1-piperidinecarboxamide (E163)	4-(4-Piperidinyl) benzonitrile	MS (ES+), m/e 429 [M+H] ⁺ .
<i>N</i> -(3-Cyclobutyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1 <i>H</i> -3-benzazepin-7-yl)-1,2,4,5-tetrahydro-3 <i>H</i> -3-benzazepine-3-carboxamide (E164)	2,3,4,5-Tetrahydro-1 <i>H</i> -3-benzazepine (<i>J. Med. Chem</i> , 2003, 46, 23, 4952)	MS (ES+), m/e 390 [M+H] ⁺ .

4-(3-Cyano-2-pyrazinyl)-N-(3-cyclobutyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1H-3-benzazepin-7-yl)-1-piperazinecarboxamide (E165)	3-(1-Piperazinyl)-2-pyrazine carbonitrile	MS (ES+), m/e 432 [M+H] ⁺ .
N-(3-Cyclobutyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1H-3-benzazepin-7-yl)-2,3-dihydro-4H-1,4-benzoxazine-4-carboxamide (E166)	3,4-Dihydro-2H-1,4-benzoxazine	MS (ES+), m/e 378 [M+H] ⁺ .
N-(3-Cyclobutyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1H-3-benzazepin-7-yl)-4-[(4-(methyloxy)phenyl)oxy]-1-piperidinecarboxamide (E167)	4-[(4-(Methyloxy)phenyl)oxy]piperidine	MS (ES+), m/e 450 [M+H] ⁺ .
N-(3-Cyclobutyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1H-3-benzazepin-7-yl)-4-[(4-fluorophenyl)oxy]-1-piperidinecarboxamide (E168)	4-[(4-Fluorophenyl)oxy]piperidine	MS (ES+), m/e 438 [M+H] ⁺ .
N-(3-Cyclobutyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1H-3-benzazepin-7-yl)-4-(phenyloxy)-1-piperidinecarboxamide (E169)	4-(Phenyloxy)piperidine	MS (ES+), m/e 420 [M+H] ⁺ .
N-(3-Cyclobutyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1H-3-benzazepin-7-yl)-4-(2-pyridinyloxy)-1-piperidinecarboxamide (E170)	2-(4-Piperidinyloxy)pyridine	MS (ES+), m/e 421 [M+H] ⁺ .
N-(3-Cyclobutyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1H-3-benzazepin-7-yl)-4-(3-pyridinyloxy)-1-piperidinecarboxamide (E171)	3-(4-Piperidinyloxy)pyridine (<i>Bioorg. Med. Chem. Lett</i> , 2000, 10, 10, 1063)	MS (ES+), m/e 421 [M+H] ⁺ .
7-Cyano-N-(3-cyclobutyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1H-3-benzazepin-7-yl)-2,3-dihydro-4H-1,4-benzoxazine-4-carboxamide (E172)	3,4-Dihydro-2H-1,4-benzoxazine-7-carbonitrile (WO 2003/059269)	MS (ES+), m/e 403 [M+H] ⁺ .
N-(4-Cyanophenyl)-N'-(3-cyclobutyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1H-3-benzazepin-7-yl)-N-methylurea (E173)	4-(Methylamino)benzonitrile	MS (ES+), m/e 375 [M+H] ⁺ .
N-(3-Cyclobutyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1H-3-benzazepin-7-yl)-2,3-dihydro-1H-pyrrolo[2,3-b]pyridine-1-carboxamide (E174)	2,3-Dihydro-1H-pyrrolo[2,3-b]pyridine (<i>Tetrahedron Lett</i> , 1987, 28, 4, 379)	MS (ES+), m/e 363 [M+H] ⁺ .
5-Cyano-N-(3-cyclobutyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1H-3-benzazepin-7-yl)-1,3-dihydro-2H-isoindole-2-carboxamide (E175)	2,3-Dihydro-1H-isoindole-5-carbonitrile (<i>Bioorg. Med. Chem. Lett</i> , 2001,	MS (ES+), m/e 387 [M+H] ⁺ .

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Example 176**1-{6-[(3-Cyclobutyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1H-3-benzazepin-7-yl)amino]-3-pyridinyl}-2-pyrrolidinone (E176)**

A mixture of 3-cyclobutyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1H-3-benzazepin-7-amine (D2, 200 mg, 0.93 mmol), 1-(6-chloro-3-pyridinyl)-2-pyrrolidinone (D18, 272 mg, 1.39 mmol), sodium tert-butoxide (133 mg, 1.39 mmol), (\pm)-2,2'-bis(diphenylphosphino)-1,1'-binaphthyl (52 mg, 0.09 mmol) and dipalladium *tris*-dibenzylidene acetone (82 mg, 0.09 mmol) in 1,4-dioxan (5 ml) was heated at reflux for 18 hours. The reaction mixture was diluted with methanol and passed down an SCX column eluting with methanol followed by 2M ammonia/ methanol. The basic fractions were combined and concentrated *in vacuo*. The residue was purified by column chromatography eluting with dichloromethane/ (2M ammonia/ methanol) (9:1). The residue was further purified by MDAP to afford the title compound (E176), MS (ES+) m/e 377 [M+H]⁺.

Example 177**N-(3-Cyclobutyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1H-3-benzazepin-7-yl)-1,3-benzodioxole-5-carboxamide trifluoroacetate (E177)**

A mixture of 3-cyclobutyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1H-3-benzazepin-7-amine (D2) (30mg, 0.14mmol), 1,3-benzodioxole-5-carboxylic acid (35mg, 0.21mmol), O-(1H-benzotriazol-1-yl)-N,N,N',N'-tetramethyluronium hexafluorophosphate (79mg, 0.21mmol) and triethylamine (0.03ml, 0.22mmol) in dimethylformamide (3.5ml) was shaken at room temperature for 18 hours. The mixture was quenched with water (0.6ml), concentrated *in vacuo* and the residue purified by MDAP to afford the title compound (E177). MS (ES+) m/e 365 [M+H]⁺.

Examples 178-266

Examples 178-266 (E178-266) were prepared from 3-cyclobutyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1H-3-benzazepin-7-amine (D2), using an analogous method to that described for Example 177 (E177) from the appropriate acid indicated in the table:

Example	Acid	LC/MS (M+H ⁺)
N-(3-Cyclobutyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1H-3-benzazepin-7-yl)-2-methyl-1H-benzimidazole-5-carboxamide trifluoroacetate (E178)	2-Methyl-1H-benzimidazole-5-carboxylic acid	375
N-(3-Cyclobutyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1H-	2-Quinoxalinecarboxylic acid	373

3-benzazepin-7-yl)-2-quinoxalinecarboxamide trifluoroacetate (E179)		
<i>N</i> -(3-Cyclobutyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1 <i>H</i> -3-benzazepin-7-yl)-2-(methyloxy)benzamide trifluoroacetate (E180)	2-(Methyloxy)benzoic acid	351
<i>N</i> -(3-Cyclobutyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1 <i>H</i> -3-benzazepin-7-yl)pyrazolo[1,5- <i>a</i>]pyridine-3-carboxamide trifluoroacetate (E181)	Pyrazolo[1,5- <i>a</i>]pyridine-3-carboxylic acid	361
<i>N</i> -(3-Cyclobutyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1 <i>H</i> -3-benzazepin-7-yl)-5-methyl-1-[4-(methyloxy)phenyl]-1 <i>H</i> -pyrazole-4-carboxamide trifluoroacetate (E182)	5-Methyl-1-[4-(methyloxy)phenyl]-1 <i>H</i> -pyrazole-4-carboxylic acid	431
<i>N</i> -(3-Cyclobutyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1 <i>H</i> -3-benzazepin-7-yl)-3-(methyloxy)benzamide trifluoroacetate (E183)	3-(Methyloxy)benzoic acid	351
<i>N</i> -(3-Cyclobutyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1 <i>H</i> -3-benzazepin-7-yl)-1-benzothiophene-2-carboxamide trifluoroacetate (E184)	1-Benzothiophene-2-carboxylic acid	377
<i>N</i> -(3-Cyclobutyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1 <i>H</i> -3-benzazepin-7-yl)-2-naphthalenecarboxamide trifluoroacetate (E185)	2-Naphthalenecarboxylic acid	371
1-(4-Chlorophenyl)- <i>N</i> -(3-cyclobutyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1 <i>H</i> -3-benzazepin-7-yl)-5-(trifluoromethyl)-1 <i>H</i> -pyrazole-4-carboxamide trifluoroacetate (E186)	1-(4-Chlorophenyl)-5-(trifluoromethyl)-1 <i>H</i> -pyrazole-4-carboxylic acid	489
<i>N</i> -(3-Cyclobutyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1 <i>H</i> -3-benzazepin-7-yl)-1-(1-methylethyl)-1 <i>H</i> -1,2,3-benzotriazole-5-carboxamide trifluoroacetate (E187)	1-(1-Methylethyl)-1 <i>H</i> -1,2,3-benzotriazole-5-carboxylic acid	404
<i>N</i> -(3-Cyclobutyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1 <i>H</i> -3-benzazepin-7-yl)-1-(1-methylethyl)-2-(trifluoromethyl)-1 <i>H</i> -benzimidazole-5-carboxamide trifluoroacetate (E188)	1-(1-Methylethyl)-2-(trifluoromethyl)-1 <i>H</i> -benzimidazole-5-carboxylic acid	471
<i>N</i> -(3-Cyclobutyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1 <i>H</i> -3-benzazepin-7-yl)-2,1-benzisoxazole-3-carboxamide trifluoroacetate (E189)	2,1-Benzisoxazole-3-carboxylic acid	362
<i>N</i> -(3-Cyclobutyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1 <i>H</i> -	1-Methyl-3-propyl-1 <i>H</i> -pyrazole-5-	367

3-benzazepin-7-yl)-1-methyl-3-propyl-1 <i>H</i> -pyrazole-5-carboxamide trifluoroacetate (E190)	carboxylic acid	
<i>N</i> -(3-Cyclobutyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1 <i>H</i> -3-benzazepin-7-yl)-1,5-dimethyl-3-oxo-2-phenyl-2,3-dihydro-1 <i>H</i> -pyrazole-4-carboxamide trifluoroacetate (E191)	1,5-Dimethyl-3-oxo-2-phenyl-2,3-dihydro-1 <i>H</i> -pyrazole-4-carboxylic acid	431
<i>N</i> -(3-Cyclobutyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1 <i>H</i> -3-benzazepin-7-yl)-2-methyl-2 <i>H</i> -1,2,3-triazole-4-carboxamide trifluoroacetate (E192)	2-Methyl-2 <i>H</i> -1,2,3-triazole-4-carboxylic acid	326
<i>N</i> -(3-Cyclobutyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1 <i>H</i> -3-benzazepin-7-yl)-1-benzothiophene-3-carboxamide trifluoroacetate (E193)	1-Benzothiophene-3-carboxylic acid	377
<i>N</i> -(3-Cyclobutyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1 <i>H</i> -3-benzazepin-7-yl)-1-phenyl-1 <i>H</i> -1,2,3-triazole-5-carboxamide trifluoroacetate (E194)	1-Phenyl-1 <i>H</i> -1,2,3-triazole-5-carboxylic acid	388
<i>N</i> -(3-Cyclobutyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1 <i>H</i> -3-benzazepin-7-yl)-3-methyl-5-[4-(methyloxy)phenyl]-1 <i>H</i> -pyrazole-4-carboxamide trifluoroacetate (E195)	3-Methyl-5-[4-(methyloxy)phenyl]-1 <i>H</i> -pyrazole-4-carboxylic acid	431
<i>N</i> -(3-Cyclobutyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1 <i>H</i> -3-benzazepin-7-yl)-5-methyl-1-phenyl-1 <i>H</i> -pyrazole-3-carboxamide trifluoroacetate (E196)	5-Methyl-1-phenyl-1 <i>H</i> -pyrazole-3-carboxylic acid	401
<i>N</i> -(3-Cyclobutyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1 <i>H</i> -3-benzazepin-7-yl)-3-[3-(methyloxy)phenyl]-1-phenyl-1 <i>H</i> -pyrazole-4-carboxamide trifluoroacetate (E197)	3-[3-(Methyloxy)phenyl]-1-phenyl-1 <i>H</i> -pyrazole-4-carboxylic acid	493
<i>N</i> -(3-Cyclobutyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1 <i>H</i> -3-benzazepin-7-yl)-3-(1,1-dimethylethyl)-1-methyl-1 <i>H</i> -pyrazole-5-carboxamide trifluoroacetate (E198)	3-(1,1-Dimethylethyl)-1-methyl-1 <i>H</i> -pyrazole-5-carboxylic acid	381
<i>N</i> -(3-Cyclobutyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1 <i>H</i> -3-benzazepin-7-yl)-5,7-dimethylpyrazolo[1,5- <i>a</i>]pyrimidine-2-carboxamide trifluoroacetate (E199)	5,7-Dimethylpyrazolo[1,5- <i>a</i>]pyrimidine-2-carboxylic acid	390
<i>N</i> -(3-Cyclobutyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1 <i>H</i> -3-benzazepin-7-yl)-3-methyl-1-phenyl-1 <i>H</i> -pyrazole-5-carboxamide	3-Methyl-1-phenyl-1 <i>H</i> -pyrazole-5-carboxylic acid	401

trifluoroacetate (E200)	—	
<i>N</i> -(3-Cyclobutyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1 <i>H</i> -3-benzazepin-7-yl)-1-methyl-1 <i>H</i> -1,2,3-benzotriazole-5-carboxamide trifluoroacetate (E201)	1-Methyl-1 <i>H</i> -1,2,3-benzotriazole-5-carboxylic acid	376
<i>N</i> -(3-Cyclobutyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1 <i>H</i> -3-benzazepin-7-yl)-5-methyl-1-[(4-methylphenyl)methyl]-1 <i>H</i> -pyrazole-3-carboxamide trifluoroacetate (E202)	5-Methyl-1-[(4-methylphenyl)methyl]-1 <i>H</i> -pyrazole-3-carboxylic acid	429
<i>N</i> -(3-Cyclobutyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1 <i>H</i> -3-benzazepin-7-yl)-1-ethyl-3-(2-thienyl)-1 <i>H</i> -pyrazole-5-carboxamide trifluoroacetate (E203)	1-Ethyl-3-(2-thienyl)-1 <i>H</i> -pyrazole-5-carboxylic acid	421
<i>N</i> -(3-Cyclobutyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1 <i>H</i> -3-benzazepin-7-yl)-1-ethyl-5-methyl-1 <i>H</i> -pyrazole-3-carboxamide trifluoroacetate (E204)	1-Ethyl-5-methyl-1 <i>H</i> -pyrazole-3-carboxylic acid	353
<i>N</i> -(3-Cyclobutyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1 <i>H</i> -3-benzazepin-7-yl)-4-[(4-fluorophenyl)oxy]-1 <i>H</i> -1,2,3-triazole-5-carboxamide trifluoroacetate (E205)	4-[(4-Fluorophenyl)oxy]-1 <i>H</i> -1,2,3-triazole-5-carboxylic acid	422
<i>N</i> -(3-Cyclobutyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1 <i>H</i> -3-benzazepin-7-yl)-4-ethyl-1-phenyl-1 <i>H</i> -1,2,3-triazole-5-carboxamide trifluoroacetate (E206)	4-Ethyl-1-phenyl-1 <i>H</i> -1,2,3-triazole-5-carboxylic acid	416
<i>N</i> -(3-Cyclobutyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1 <i>H</i> -3-benzazepin-7-yl)-5-ethyl-1-phenyl-1 <i>H</i> -1,2,3-triazole-4-carboxamide trifluoroacetate (E207)	5-Ethyl-1-phenyl-1 <i>H</i> -1,2,3-triazole-4-carboxylic acid	416
<i>N</i> -(3-Cyclobutyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1 <i>H</i> -3-benzazepin-7-yl)-2-methyl-5-phenyl-2 <i>H</i> -1,2,3-triazole-4-carboxamide trifluoroacetate (E208)	2-Methyl-5-phenyl-2 <i>H</i> -1,2,3-triazole-4-carboxylic acid	402
<i>N</i> -(3-Cyclobutyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1 <i>H</i> -3-benzazepin-7-yl)-5-methyl-1-phenyl-1 <i>H</i> -1,2,3-triazole-4-carboxamide trifluoroacetate (E209)	5-Methyl-1-phenyl-1 <i>H</i> -1,2,3-triazole-4-carboxylic acid	402
<i>N</i> -(3-Cyclobutyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1 <i>H</i> -3-benzazepin-7-yl)-2 <i>H</i> -chromene-3-carboxamide trifluoroacetate (E210)	2 <i>H</i> -Chromene-3-carboxylic acid	375
<i>N</i> -(3-Cyclobutyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1 <i>H</i> -3-benzazepin-7-yl)-2-methyl-4,5,6,7-	2-Methyl-4,5,6,7-tetrahydro-2 <i>H</i> -indazole-3-carboxylic acid	379

tetrahydro-2 <i>H</i> -indazole-3-carboxamide trifluoroacetate (E211)		
4-[3,4-bis(Methyloxy)phenyl]- <i>N</i> -(3-cyclobutyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1 <i>H</i> -3-benzazepin-7-yl)-1 <i>H</i> -1,2,3-triazole-5-carboxamide trifluoroacetate (E212)	4-[3,4-bis(Methyloxy)phenyl]-1 <i>H</i> -1,2,3-triazole-5-carboxylic acid	448
<i>N</i> -(3-Cyclobutyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1 <i>H</i> -3-benzazepin-7-yl)-1-(2,2,2-trifluoroethyl)-1 <i>H</i> -1,2,3-triazole-4-carboxamide trifluoroacetate (E213)	1-(2,2,2-Trifluoroethyl)-1 <i>H</i> -1,2,3-triazole-4-carboxylic acid	394
<i>N</i> -(3-Cyclobutyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1 <i>H</i> -3-benzazepin-7-yl)-3,5-dimethyl-1-phenyl-1 <i>H</i> -pyrazole-4-carboxamide trifluoroacetate (E214)	3,5-Dimethyl-1-phenyl-1 <i>H</i> -pyrazole-4-carboxylic acid	415
<i>N</i> -(3-Cyclobutyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1 <i>H</i> -3-benzazepin-7-yl)-1-methyl-1 <i>H</i> -pyrazole-4-carboxamide trifluoroacetate (E215)	1-Methyl-1 <i>H</i> -pyrazol-4-carboxylic acid	325
<i>N</i> -(3-Cyclobutyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1 <i>H</i> -3-benzazepin-7-yl)-1-methyl-3-(trifluoromethyl)-1 <i>H</i> -pyrazole-4-carboxamide trifluoroacetate (E216)	1-Methyl-3-(trifluoromethyl)-1 <i>H</i> -pyrazole-4-carboxylic acid	393
1-(2-Chlorophenyl)- <i>N</i> -(3-cyclobutyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1 <i>H</i> -3-benzazepin-7-yl)-5-propyl-1 <i>H</i> -pyrazole-4-carboxamide trifluoroacetate (E217)	1-(2-Chlorophenyl)-5-propyl-1 <i>H</i> -pyrazole-4-carboxylic acid	464
1-(4-Cyanophenyl)- <i>N</i> -(3-cyclobutyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1 <i>H</i> -3-benzazepin-7-yl)-3-(trifluoromethyl)-1 <i>H</i> -pyrazole-4-carboxamide trifluoroacetate (E218)	1-(4-Cyanophenyl)-3-(trifluoromethyl)-1 <i>H</i> -pyrazole-4-carboxylic acid	480
1-(4-Chlorophenyl)- <i>N</i> -(3-cyclobutyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1 <i>H</i> -3-benzazepin-7-yl)-5-propyl-1 <i>H</i> -pyrazole-4-carboxamide trifluoroacetate (E219)	1-(4-Chlorophenyl)-5-propyl-1 <i>H</i> -pyrazole-4-carboxylic acid	464
<i>N</i> -(3-Cyclobutyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1 <i>H</i> -3-benzazepin-7-yl)-3,4-dihydro-2 <i>H</i> -chromene-3-carboxamide trifluoroacetate (E220)	3,4-Dihydro-2 <i>H</i> -chromene-3-carboxylic acid	377
<i>N</i> -(3-Cyclobutyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1 <i>H</i> -3-benzazepin-7-yl)-1,3,5-trimethyl-1 <i>H</i> -pyrazole-4-carboxamide trifluoroacetate (E221)	1,3,5-Trimethyl-1 <i>H</i> -pyrazole-4-carboxylic acid	353

<i>N</i> -(3-Cyclobutyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1 <i>H</i> -3-benzazepin-7-yl)-1-(4-fluorophenyl)-3,5-dimethyl-1 <i>H</i> -pyrazole-4-carboxamide trifluoroacetate (E222)	1-(4-Fluorophenyl)-3,5-dimethyl-1 <i>H</i> -pyrazole-4-carboxylic acid	433
<i>N</i> -(3-Cyclobutyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1 <i>H</i> -3-benzazepin-7-yl)-1-benzofuran-5-carboxamide trifluoroacetate (E223)	1-Benzofuran-5-carboxylic acid	361
<i>N</i> -(3-Cyclobutyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1 <i>H</i> -3-benzazepin-7-yl)-1 <i>H</i> -indole-3-carboxamide trifluoroacetate (E224)	1 <i>H</i> -Indole-3-carboxylic acid	360
<i>N</i> -(3-Cyclobutyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1 <i>H</i> -3-benzazepin-7-yl)-1 <i>H</i> -indazole-3-carboxamide trifluoroacetate (E225)	1 <i>H</i> -Indazole-3-carboxylic acid	361
<i>N</i> -(3-Cyclobutyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1 <i>H</i> -3-benzazepin-7-yl)-2,3-dihydro-1-benzofuran-2-carboxamide trifluoroacetate (E226)	2,3-Dihydro-1-benzofuran-2-carboxylic acid	363
<i>N</i> -(3-Cyclobutyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1 <i>H</i> -3-benzazepin-7-yl)-1 <i>H</i> -indole-5-carboxamide trifluoroacetate (E227)	1 <i>H</i> -Indole-5-carboxylic acid	360
<i>N</i> -(3-Cyclobutyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1 <i>H</i> -3-benzazepin-7-yl)-2,3-dihydro-1-benzofuran-5-carboxamide trifluoroacetate (E228)	2,3-Dihydro-1-benzofuran-5-carboxylic acid	363
<i>N</i> -(3-Cyclobutyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1 <i>H</i> -3-benzazepin-7-yl)-1,3-benzothiazole-6-carboxamide trifluoroacetate (E229)	1,3-Benzothiazole-6-carboxylic acid	378
<i>N</i> -(3-Cyclobutyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1 <i>H</i> -3-benzazepin-7-yl)-1 <i>H</i> -indole-6-carboxamide trifluoroacetate (E230)	1 <i>H</i> -Indole-6-carboxylic acid	360
<i>N</i> -(3-Cyclobutyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1 <i>H</i> -3-benzazepin-7-yl)-1,2,3-benzothiadiazole-5-carboxamide trifluoroacetate (E231)	1,2,3-Benzothiadiazole-5-carboxylic acid	379
<i>N</i> -(3-Cyclobutyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1 <i>H</i> -3-benzazepin-7-yl)-2,7-dimethylpyrazolo[1,5- <i>a</i>]pyrimidine-6-carboxamide trifluoroacetate (E232)	2,7-Dimethylpyrazolo[1,5- <i>a</i>]pyrimidine-6-carboxylic acid	390
<i>N</i> -(3-Cyclobutyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1 <i>H</i> -3-benzazepin-7-yl)-1-naphthalenecarboxamide trifluoroacetate (E233)	1-Naphthalenecarboxylic acid	371

<i>N</i> -(3-Cyclobutyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1 <i>H</i> -3-benzazepin-7-yl)-3-quinolinecarboxamide trifluoroacetate (E234)	3-Quinolinecarboxylic acid	372
<i>N</i> -(3-Cyclobutyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1 <i>H</i> -3-benzazepin-7-yl)-4-(methyloxy)-2-quinolinecarboxamide trifluoroacetate (E235)	4-(Methyloxy)-2-quinolinecarboxylic acid	402
<i>N</i> -(3-Cyclobutyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1 <i>H</i> -3-benzazepin-7-yl)-2,1,3-benzothiadiazole-5-carboxamide trifluoroacetate (E236)	2,1,3-Benzothiadiazole-5-carboxylic acid	379
<i>N</i> -(3-Cyclobutyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1 <i>H</i> -3-benzazepin-7-yl)-2,3-dihydro-1,4-benzodioxin-2-carboxamide trifluoroacetate (E237)	2,3-Dihydro-1,4-benzodioxin-2-carboxylic acid	379
<i>N</i> -(3-Cyclobutyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1 <i>H</i> -3-benzazepin-7-yl)-6-(methyloxy)-2-naphthalenecarboxamide trifluoroacetate (E238)	6-(Methyloxy)-2-naphthalenecarboxylic acid	401
<i>N</i> -(3-Cyclobutyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1 <i>H</i> -3-benzazepin-7-yl)-3-isoquinolinecarboxamide trifluoroacetate (E239)	3-Isoquinolinecarboxylic acid	372
<i>N</i> -(3-Cyclobutyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1 <i>H</i> -3-benzazepin-7-yl)-1-methyl-1 <i>H</i> -indole-2-carboxamide trifluoroacetate (E240)	1-Methyl-1 <i>H</i> -indole-2-carboxylic acid	374
<i>N</i> -(3-Cyclobutyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1 <i>H</i> -3-benzazepin-7-yl)-1-benzofuran-2-carboxamide trifluoroacetate (E241)	1-Benzofuran-2-carboxylic acid	361
<i>N</i> -(3-Cyclobutyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1 <i>H</i> -3-benzazepin-7-yl)-4-(methyloxy)benzamide trifluoroacetate (E242)	4-(Methyloxy)benzoic acid	351
<i>N</i> -(3-Cyclobutyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1 <i>H</i> -3-benzazepin-7-yl)-1,3-diphenyl-1 <i>H</i> -pyrazole-4-carboxamide trifluoroacetate (E243)	1,3-Diphenyl-1 <i>H</i> -pyrazole-4-carboxylic acid	463
<i>N</i> -(3-Cyclobutyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1 <i>H</i> -3-benzazepin-7-yl)-2-quinolinecarboxamide trifluoroacetate (E244)	2-Quinolinecarboxylic acid	372

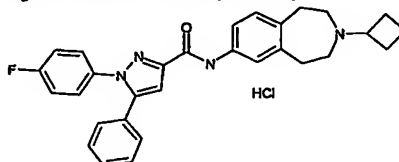
<i>N</i> -(3-Cyclobutyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1 <i>H</i> -3-benzazepin-7-yl)-2,3-dihydro-1,4-benzodioxin-6-carboxamide trifluoroacetate (E245)	2,3-Dihydro-1,4-benzodioxin-6-carboxylic acid	379
<i>N</i> -(3-Cyclobutyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1 <i>H</i> -3-benzazepin-7-yl)-4-(methylsulfonyl)benzamide trifluoroacetate (E246)	4-(Methylsulfonyl)benzoic acid	399
<i>N</i> -(3-Cyclobutyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1 <i>H</i> -3-benzazepin-7-yl)-2-(phenyloxy)benzamide trifluoroacetate (E247)	2-(Phenyloxy)benzoic acid	413
<i>N</i> -(3-Cyclobutyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1 <i>H</i> -3-benzazepin-7-yl)-3-(phenyloxy)benzamide trifluoroacetate (E248)	3-(Phenyloxy)benzoic acid	413
<i>N</i> -(3-Cyclobutyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1 <i>H</i> -3-benzazepin-7-yl)-4-(phenyloxy)benzamide trifluoroacetate (E249)	4-(Phenyloxy)benzoic acid	413
<i>N</i> -(3-Cyclobutyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1 <i>H</i> -3-benzazepin-7-yl)-2-(trifluoromethyl)benzamide trifluoroacetate (E250)	2-(Trifluoromethyl)benzoic acid	389
<i>N</i> -(3-Cyclobutyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1 <i>H</i> -3-benzazepin-7-yl)-3-(trifluoromethyl)benzamide trifluoroacetate (E251)	3-(Trifluoromethyl)benzoic acid	389
<i>N</i> -(3-Cyclobutyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1 <i>H</i> -3-benzazepin-7-yl)-4-(trifluoromethyl)benzamide trifluoroacetate (E252)	4-(Trifluoromethyl)benzoic acid	389
<i>N</i> -(3-Cyclobutyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1 <i>H</i> -3-benzazepin-7-yl)-2-biphenylcarboxamide trifluoroacetate (E253)	2-Biphenylcarboxylic acid	397
(2 <i>E</i>)- <i>N</i> -(3-Cyclobutyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1 <i>H</i> -3-benzazepin-7-yl)-3-phenyl-2-propenamide trifluoroacetate (E254)	(2 <i>E</i>)-3-Phenyl-2-propenoic acid	347
<i>N</i> -(3-Cyclobutyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1 <i>H</i> -3-benzazepin-7-yl)-1 <i>H</i> -benzimidazole-2-carboxamide trifluoroacetate (E255)	1 <i>H</i> -Benzimidazole-2-carboxylic acid	361

(2E)-N-(3-Cyclobutyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1H-3-benzazepin-7-yl)-3-[2-(methyloxy)phenyl]-2-propenamide trifluoroacetate (E256)	(2E)-3-[2-(Methyloxy)phenyl]-2-propenoic acid	377
(2E)-N-(3-Cyclobutyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1H-3-benzazepin-7-yl)-3-[3-(methyloxy)phenyl]-2-propenamide trifluoroacetate (E257)	(2E)-3-[3-(Methyloxy)phenyl]-2-propenoic acid	377
(2E)-N-(3-Cyclobutyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1H-3-benzazepin-7-yl)-3-[4-(methyloxy)phenyl]-2-propenamide trifluoroacetate (E258)	(2E)-3-[4-(Methyloxy)phenyl]-2-propenoic acid	377
(2E)-N-(3-Cyclobutyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1H-3-benzazepin-7-yl)-3-(2-fluorophenyl)-2-propenamide trifluoroacetate (E259)	(2E)-3-(2-Fluorophenyl)-2-propenoic acid	365
(2E)-N-(3-Cyclobutyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1H-3-benzazepin-7-yl)-3-(3-fluorophenyl)-2-propenamide trifluoroacetate (E260)	(2E)-3-(3-Fluorophenyl)-2-propenoic acid	365
(2E)-N-(3-Cyclobutyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1H-3-benzazepin-7-yl)-3-(4-fluorophenyl)-2-propenamide trifluoroacetate (E261)	(2E)-3-(4-Fluorophenyl)-2-propenoic acid	365
3,5-Dichloro-N-(3-cyclobutyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1H-3-benzazepin-7-yl)benzamide trifluoroacetate (E262)	3,5-Dichlorobenzoic acid	390
N-(3-Cyclobutyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1H-3-benzazepin-7-yl)-1-ethyl-3-methyl-1H-pyrazole-5-carboxamide trifluoroacetate (E263)	1-Ethyl-3-methyl-1H-pyrazole-5-carboxylic acid	353
N-(3-Cyclobutyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1H-3-benzazepin-7-yl)-5-(2-furanyl)-1H-pyrazole-3-carboxamide trifluoroacetate (E264)	5-(2-Furanyl)-1H-pyrazole-3-carboxylic acid	377
N-(3-Cyclobutyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1H-3-benzazepin-7-yl)-1-(3,4-dichlorophenyl)-3,5-dimethyl-1H-pyrazole-4-carboxamide trifluoroacetate (E265)	1-(3,4-Dichlorophenyl)-3,5-dimethyl-1H-pyrazole-4-carboxylic acid	484
N-(3-Cyclobutyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1H-3-benzazepin-7-yl)-3-(methyloxy)-2-	3-(Methyloxy)-2-naphthalenecarboxylic acid	401

naphthalenecarboxamide trifluoroacetate (E266)		
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Example 267

***N*-(3-Cyclobutyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1*H*-3-benzazepin-7-yl)-1-(4-fluorophenyl)-5-phenyl-1*H*-pyrazole-3-carboxamide hydrochloride (E267)**



Example 267 was prepared from 3-cyclobutyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1*H*-3-benzazepin-7-amine (D2), using an analogous method to that described for Example 177 (E177) from 1-(4-fluorophenyl)-5-phenyl-1*H*-pyrazole-3-carboxylic acid (25mg, 0.09mmol) with additional steps: following MDAP, the trifluoroacetate salt was loaded onto an SCX ion exchange cartridge (Isolute-flash, 500mg), washing with dichloromethane followed by methanol, and eluted with a 1:4 mixture of 2M ammonia:methanol. The combined basic fractions were concentrated *in vacuo* and the residue stirred in 1M hydrogen chloride solution in diethyl ether (0.015ml) in dichloromethane (1ml) for 1 hour. Concentration to dryness *in vacuo* afforded the title compound (E267) (26mg, 72%). MS(ES+ *m/e* 481[M+H]⁺).

Examples 268-276

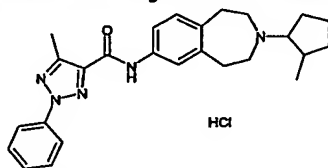
Examples 268-276 (E268-276) were prepared from 3-cyclobutyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1*H*-3-benzazepin-7-amine (D2), using an analogous method to that described for Example 267 (E267) from the appropriate acid indicated in the table:

Example	Acid	LC/MS (M+H ⁺)
<i>N</i> -(3-Cyclobutyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1 <i>H</i> -3-benzazepin-7-yl)-1,5-diphenyl-1 <i>H</i> -pyrazole-4-carboxamide hydrochloride (E268)	1,5-Diphenyl-1 <i>H</i> -pyrazole-4-carboxylic acid	463
<i>N</i> -(3-Cyclobutyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1 <i>H</i> -3-benzazepin-7-yl)-5-methyl-2-(4-methylphenyl)-2 <i>H</i> -1,2,3-triazole-4-carboxamide hydrochloride (E269)	5-Methyl-2-(4-methylphenyl)-2 <i>H</i> -1,2,3-triazole-4-carboxylic acid	416
<i>N</i> -(3-Cyclobutyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1 <i>H</i> -3-benzazepin-7-yl)-1-phenyl-5-(1 <i>H</i> -pyrrol-1-yl)-1 <i>H</i> -pyrazole-4-carboxamide hydrochloride (E270)	1-Phenyl-5-(1 <i>H</i> -pyrrol-1-yl)-1 <i>H</i> -pyrazole-4-carboxylic acid	452
<i>N</i> -(3-Cyclobutyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1 <i>H</i> -3-benzazepin-7-yl)-1-(4-fluorophenyl)-5-	1-(4-Fluorophenyl)-5-methyl-1 <i>H</i> -pyrazole-4-carboxylic acid	419

meth-1H-pyrazole-4-carboxamide hydrochloride (E271)		
N-(3-Cyclobutyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1H-3-benzazepin-7-yl)-1-phenyl-5-(trifluoromethyl)-1H-pyrazole-4-carboxamide hydrochloride (E272)	1-Phenyl-5-(trifluoromethyl)-1H-pyrazole-4-carboxylic acid	455
N-(3-Cyclobutyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1H-3-benzazepin-7-yl)-1-phenyl-5-propyl-1H-pyrazole-4-carboxamide hydrochloride (E273)	1-Phenyl-5-propyl-1H-pyrazole-4-carboxylic acid	429
N-(3-Cyclobutyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1H-3-benzazepin-7-yl)-5-methyl-1-(2-methylphenyl)-1H-pyrazole-4-carboxamide hydrochloride (E274)	5-Methyl-1-(2-methylphenyl)-1H-pyrazole-4-carboxylic acid	415
N-(3-Cyclobutyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1H-3-benzazepin-7-yl)-1-(methoxy)-2-naphthalenecarboxamide hydrochloride (E275)	1-(Methoxy)-2-naphthalenecarboxylic acid	401
1-(4-Chlorophenyl)-N-(3-cyclobutyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1H-3-benzazepin-7-yl)-5-methyl-1H-pyrazole-4-carboxamide hydrochloride (E276)	1-(4-Chlorophenyl)-5-methyl-1H-pyrazole-4-carboxylic acid	435

Example 277

5-Methyl-N-[3-(3-methylcyclopentyl)-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1H-3-benzazepin-7-yl]-2-phenyl-2H-1,2,3-triazole-4-carboxamide hydrochloride (E277)



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A mixture of 5-methyl-2-phenyl-N-(2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1H-3-benzazepin-7-yl)-2H-1,2,3-triazole-4-carboxamide (D23, 28mg, 0.080mmol), 3-methylcyclopentanone (16mg, 0.16mmol), macroporous triacetoxymethyl resin (2.25mmol/g, 144mg, 0.32mmol) and tetrahydrofuran (1ml) was shaken at room temperature for 5 days. 3-methylcyclopentanone (16mg, 0.16mmol) was added to the mixture which was shaken for 2 further days. Methylisocyanate polystyrene (2.86mmol/g, 86mg, 0.24mmol) was added to the reaction mixture which was shaken for a further 18 hours. The mixture was applied to a SCX ion exchange column (Isolute-flash, 500mg), washing with dichloromethane followed by methanol, and eluting with a 1:4 mixture of 2M ammonia:methanol. The combined basic fractions were concentrated *in vacuo* and the residue stirred in 1M hydrogen chloride solution in diethyl ether (0.015ml) in dichloromethane (1ml) for 1 hour. Concentration to dryness *in vacuo* afforded the title compound (E277).

MS(ES+) m/e 430 [M+H]⁺.

Example 278

- 5 Examples 278 (E278) was prepared using an analogous method to that described for Example 277 (E277), using 5-methyl-2-phenyl-*N*-(2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1*H*-3-benzazepin-7-yl)-2*H*-1,2,3-triazole-4-carboxamide (D23) as the amine and the appropriate ketone indicated in the table:

Example	Ketone	LC/MS (M+H ⁺)
<i>N</i> -(3-Cyclohexyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1 <i>H</i> -3-benzazepin-7-yl)-5-methyl-2-phenyl-2 <i>H</i> -1,2,3-triazole-4-carboxamide hydrochloride (E278)	Cyclohexanone	430

10 Examples 279-280

Examples 279-280 (E279-E280) were prepared using an analogous method to that described for Example 277 (E277), using 5-methyl-2-phenyl-*N*-(2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1*H*-3-benzazepin-7-yl)-2*H*-1,2,3-triazole-4-carboxamide (D23) as the amine and the appropriate ketone indicated in the table:

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Example	Ketone	LC/MS (M+H ⁺)
5-Methyl- <i>N</i> -[3-(2-methylcyclopentyl)-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1 <i>H</i> -3-benzazepin-7-yl]-2-phenyl-2 <i>H</i> -1,2,3-triazole-4-carboxamide trifluoroacetate (E279)	2-Methylcyclopentanone	430
<i>N</i> -(3-Cyclopentyl-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1 <i>H</i> -3-benzazepin-7-yl)-5-methyl-2-phenyl-2 <i>H</i> -1,2,3-triazole-4-carboxamide trifluoroacetate (E280)	Cyclopentanone	416

Biological Data

A membrane preparation containing histamine H3 receptors may be prepared in accordance with the following procedures:

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(i) Generation of histamine H3 cell line

- 25 DNA encoding the human histamine H3 gene (Huvar, A. *et al.* (1999) Mol. Pharmacol. **55**(6), 1101-1107) was cloned into a holding vector, pCDNA3.1 TOPO (InVitrogen) and its cDNA was isolated from this vector by restriction digestion of plasmid DNA with the enzymes BamH1 and Not-1 and ligated into the inducible expression vector pGene (InVitrogen) digested with the same enzymes. The GeneSwitch™ system (a system where

in transgene expression is switched off in the absence of an inducer and switched on in the presence of an inducer) was performed as described in US Patent nos: 5,364,791; 5,874,534; and 5,935,934. Ligated DNA was transformed into competent DH5 α E. coli host bacterial cells and plated onto Luria Broth (LB) agar containing ZeocinTM (an antibiotic which allows the selection of cells expressing the sh ble gene which is present on pGene and pSwitch) at 50 μ g ml⁻¹. Colonies containing the re-ligated plasmid were identified by restriction analysis. DNA for transfection into mammalian cells was prepared from 250ml cultures of the host bacterium containing the pGeneH3 plasmid and isolated using a DNA preparation kit (Qiagen Midi-Prep) as per manufacturers guidelines (Qiagen).

CHO K1 cells previously transfected with the pSwitch regulatory plasmid (InVitrogen) were seeded at 2x10⁶ cells per T75 flask in Complete Medium, containing Hams F12 (GIBCOBRL, Life Technologies) medium supplemented with 10% v/v dialysed foetal bovine serum, L-glutamine, and hygromycin (100 μ g ml⁻¹), 24 hours prior to use. Plasmid DNA was transfected into the cells using Lipofectamine plus according to the manufacturers guidelines (InVitrogen). 48 hours post transfection cells were placed into complete medium supplemented with 500 μ g ml⁻¹ ZeocinTM.

10-14 days post selection 10nM Mifepristone (InVitrogen), was added to the culture medium to induce the expression of the receptor. 18 hours post induction cells were detached from the flask using ethylenediamine tetra-acetic acid (EDTA; 1:5000;

InVitrogen), following several washes with phosphate buffered saline pH 7.4 and resuspended in Sorting Medium containing Minimum Essential Medium (MEM), without phenol red, and supplemented with Earles salts and 3% Foetal Clone II (Hyclone).

Approximately 1x 10⁷ cells were examined for receptor expression by staining with a rabbit polyclonal antibody, 4a, raised against the N-terminal domain of the histamine H3 receptor, incubated on ice for 60 minutes, followed by two washes in sorting medium. Receptor bound antibody was detected by incubation of the cells for 60 minutes on ice with a goat anti rabbit antibody, conjugated with Alexa 488 fluorescence marker (Molecular Probes). Following two further washes with Sorting Medium, cells were filtered through a 50 μ m FilconTM (BD Biosciences) and then analysed on a FACS Vantage SE Flow Cytometer fitted with an Automatic Cell Deposition Unit. Control cells were non-induced cells treated in a similar manner. Positively stained cells were sorted as single cells into 96-well plates, containing Complete Medium containing 500 μ g ml⁻¹ ZeocinTM and allowed to expand before reanalysis for receptor expression via antibody and ligand binding studies. One clone, 3H3, was selected for membrane preparation.

(ii) Membrane preparation from cultured cells

All steps of the protocol are carried out at 4°C and with pre-cooled reagents. The cell pellet is resuspended in 10 volumes of buffer A2 containing 50mM N-2-hydroxyethylpiperazine-N'-2-ethanesulfonic acid (HEPES) (pH 7.40) supplemented with 10e-4M leupeptin (acetyl-leucyl-leucyl-arginal; Sigma L2884), 25 μ g/ml bacitracin (Sigma B0125), 1mM ethylenediamine tetra-acetic acid (EDTA), 1mM phenylmethylsulfonyl fluoride (PMSF) and 2x10e-6M pepstain A (Sigma). The cells are then homogenised by 2 x 15 second bursts in

a 1 litre glass Waring blender, followed by centrifugation at 500g for 20 minutes. The supernatant is then spun at 48,000g for 30 minutes. The pellet is resuspended in 4 volumes of buffer A2 by vortexing for 5 seconds, followed by homogenisation in a Dounce homogeniser (10-15 strokes). At this point the preparation is aliquoted into polypropylene tubes and stored at -70°C.

Compounds of the invention may be tested for in vitro biological activity in accordance with the following assays:

(I) Histamine H3 binding assay

For each compound being assayed, in a white walled clear bottom 96 well plate, is added:-

(a) 10µl of test compound (or 10µl of iodophenpropit (a known histamine H3 antagonist) at a final concentration of 10mM) diluted to the required concentration in 10% DMSO;

(b) 10µl ¹²⁵I 4-[3-(4-iodophenylmethoxy)propyl]-1H-imidazolium (iodoproxyfan)

(Amersham; 1.85MBq/µl or 50µCi/ml; Specific Activity ~2000Ci/mmol) diluted to 200pM in assay buffer (50mM Tris(hydroxymethyl)aminomethane buffer (TRIS) pH 7.4, 0.5mM ethylenediamine tetra-acetic acid (EDTA)) to give 20pM final concentration; and

(c) 80µl bead/membrane mix prepared by suspending Scintillation Proximity Assay (SPA) bead type WGA-PVT at 100mg/ml in assay buffer followed by mixing with membrane (prepared in accordance with the methodology described above) and diluting in assay buffer to give a final volume of 80µl which contains 7.5µg protein and 0.25mg bead per well – mixture was pre-mixed at room temperature for 60 minutes on a roller.

The plate is shaken for 5 minutes and then allowed to stand at room temperature for 3-4 hours prior to reading in a Wallac Microbeta counter on a 1 minute normalised tritium count protocol. Data was analysed using a 4-parameter logistic equation.

(II) Histamine H3 functional antagonist assay

For each compound being assayed, in a white walled clear bottom 96 well plate, is added:-

(a) 10µl of test compound (or 10µl of guanosine 5'- triphosphate (GTP) (Sigma) as non-specific binding control) diluted to required concentration in assay buffer (20mM N-2-Hydroxyethylpiperazine-N'-2-ethanesulfonic acid (HEPES) + 100mM NaCl + 10mM MgCl₂, pH7.4 NaOH);

(b) 60µl bead/membrane/GDP mix prepared by suspending wheat germ agglutinin-polyvinyltoluene (WGA-PVT) scintillation proximity assay (SPA) beads at 100mg/ml in assay buffer followed by mixing with membrane (prepared in accordance with the methodology described above) and diluting in assay buffer to give a final volume of 60µl which contains 10µg protein and 0.5mg bead per well – mixture is pre-mixed at 4°C for 30 minutes on a roller and just prior to addition to the plate, 10µM final concentration of guanosine 5' diphosphate (GDP) (Sigma; diluted in assay buffer) is added;

The plate is incubated at room temperature to equilibrate antagonist with receptor/beads by shaking for 30 minutes followed by addition of:

(c) 10µl histamine (Tocris) at a final concentration of 0.3µM; and

(d) 20 μ l guanosine 5' [γ 35-S] thiotriphosphate, triethylamine salt (Amersham; radioactivity concentration = 37kBq/ μ l or 1mCi/ml; Specific Activity 1160Ci/mmol) diluted to 1.9nM in assay buffer to give 0.38nM final.

5 The plate is then incubated on a shaker at room temperature for 30 minutes followed by centrifugation for 5 minutes at 1500 rpm. The plate is read between 3 and 6 hours after completion of centrifuge run in a Wallac Microbeta counter on a 1 minute normalised tritium count protocol. Data is analysed using a 4-parameter logistic equation. Basal activity used as minimum i.e. histamine not added to well.

10 **Results**

The compounds of Examples E1-10, E12-122, E124-280 were tested in the histamine H3 functional antagonist assay and exhibited antagonism > 6.5 pK_b. More particularly, the compounds of Examples 2, 8, 29, 33-34, 37, 44, 88, 98, 113 and 148 exhibited antagonism > 9.5 pK_b.

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